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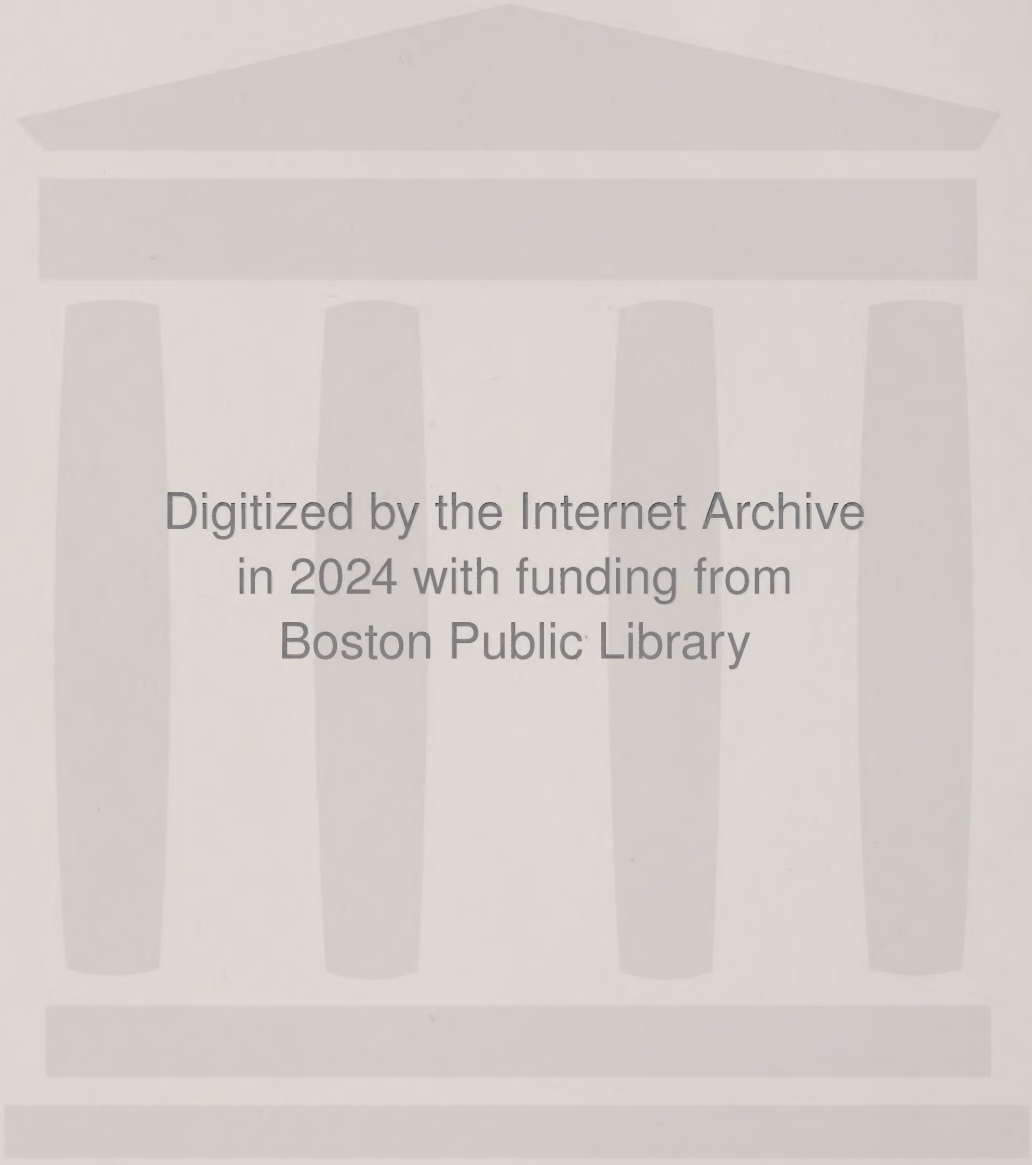
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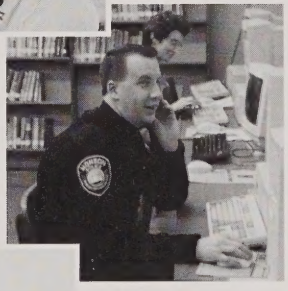

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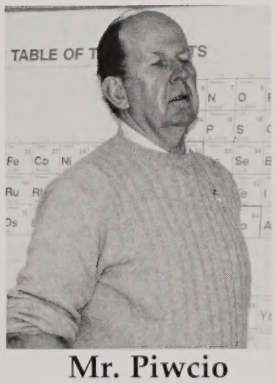

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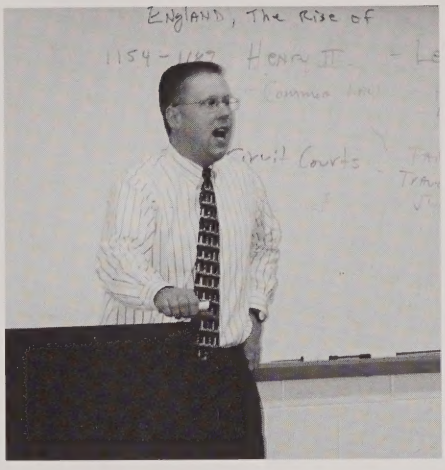

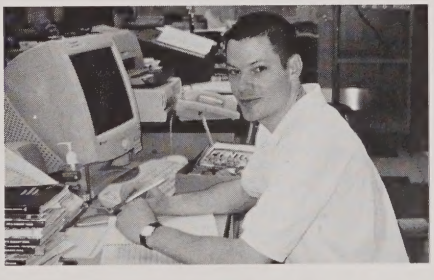

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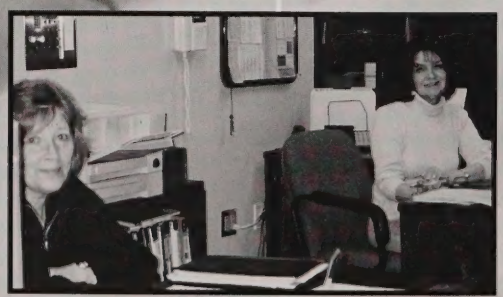

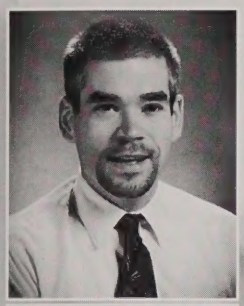

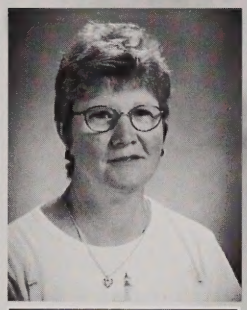

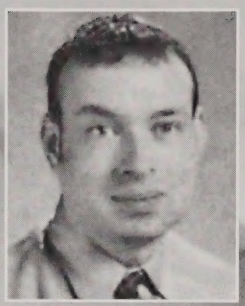

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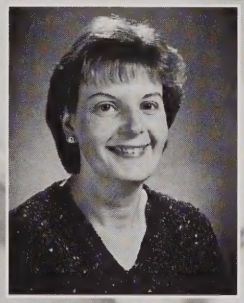

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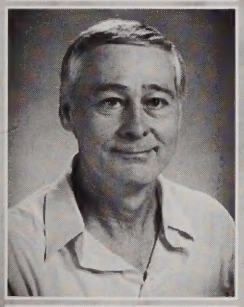

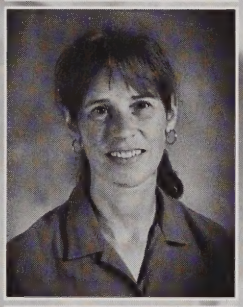

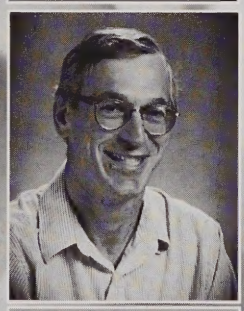

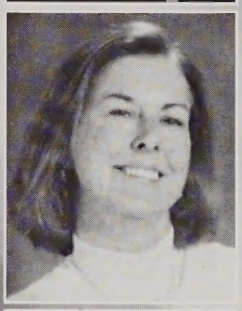

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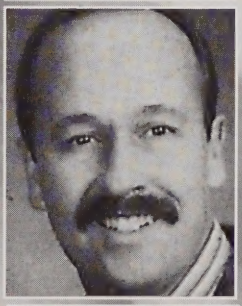

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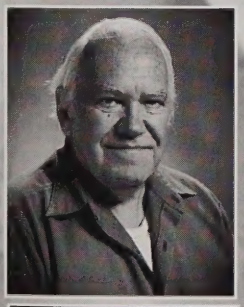

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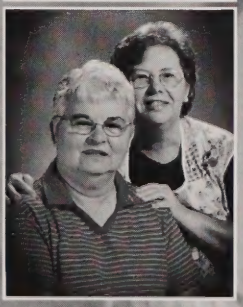

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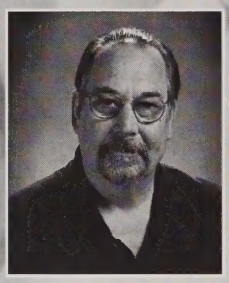

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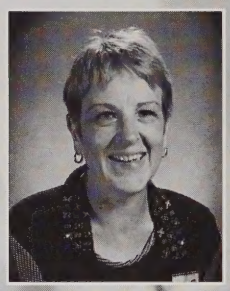

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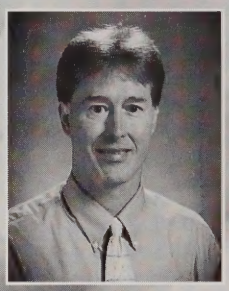

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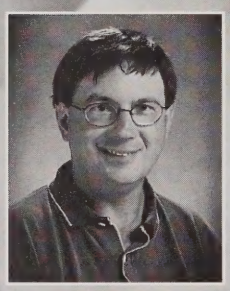

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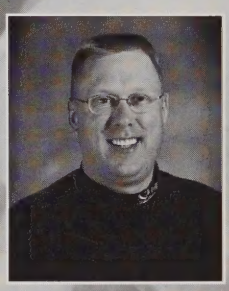

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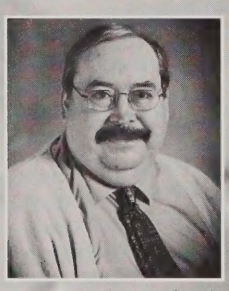

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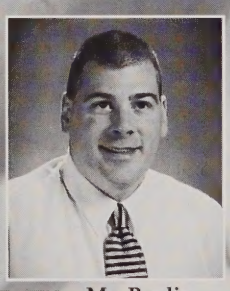

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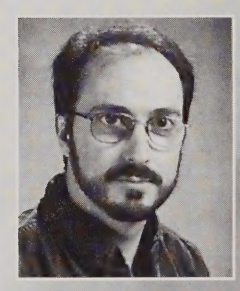

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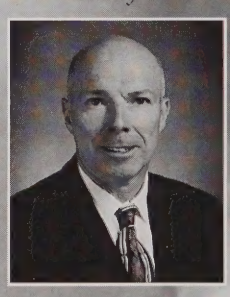

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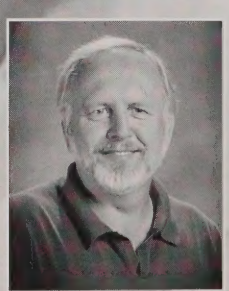

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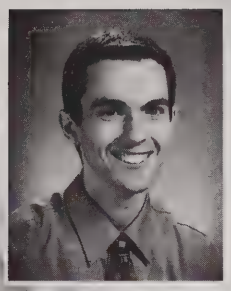

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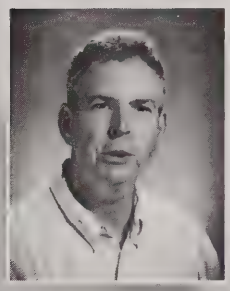

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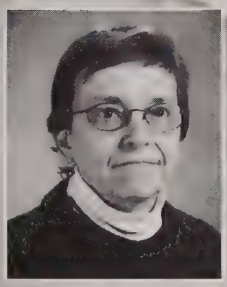

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Works

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Boys Soccer

Season Opponents

Gateway

Palmer

S. Hadley

Holyoke

Hamshire

Northampton

Granby

Belchertown

Southwick

Easthampton

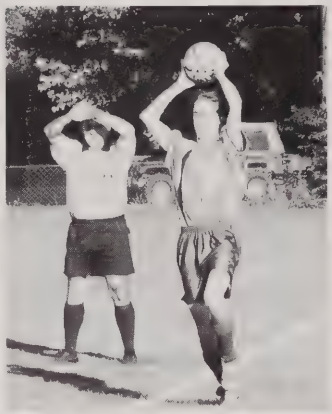
Sutton

Back Row: J. Pridokas, C. Fenton, J. Jordan, D. Kane, S. Maheux. M. Allard, C. Slozak, I. Talmadge, Coach Lund.
Front Row: D. Maheux, K. Murphy, J. Pascale, R. Murphy, M. Oppel B. Lord, G. Kissel.

Above: M. Walker beats 'em to the ball

Above: M. Dangleis working with nice form.
Right: Intensity! C. Skinner

Left: C. Fenton and K. Murphy, both faster than East Longmeadow
Below: Excellent throw-in Steve



Below: Greg reaching for that ball

Back Row: Coach Slozak, M. Dangleis, M. Walker, A. Thrasher, R. Shorette, S. Walsh, R. Grassetti, S. Loglisci, N.Manley, G. Fontaine, Asst. Coach G. Lund.
Front Row: N. Petrisis, T. Dunn, J Perry, Z. Banas, E. Hebert G. Beyor, P. Donovan, B. Lund, M. Galica.

The Varsity soccer team this year was awesome. Coach Lund's first season as varsity coach was excellent. He taught them defensive and offensive skills they needed to be strong throughout the season. With a 3-9-5 record the boys had a chance to make it to tournament, but lost in the final game. Captains that lead the team were Josh Pridokas, Chad Skinner, and Kevin Murphy. The team played strong through the season. Good luck to the returning boys and graduates.

Girls Soccer

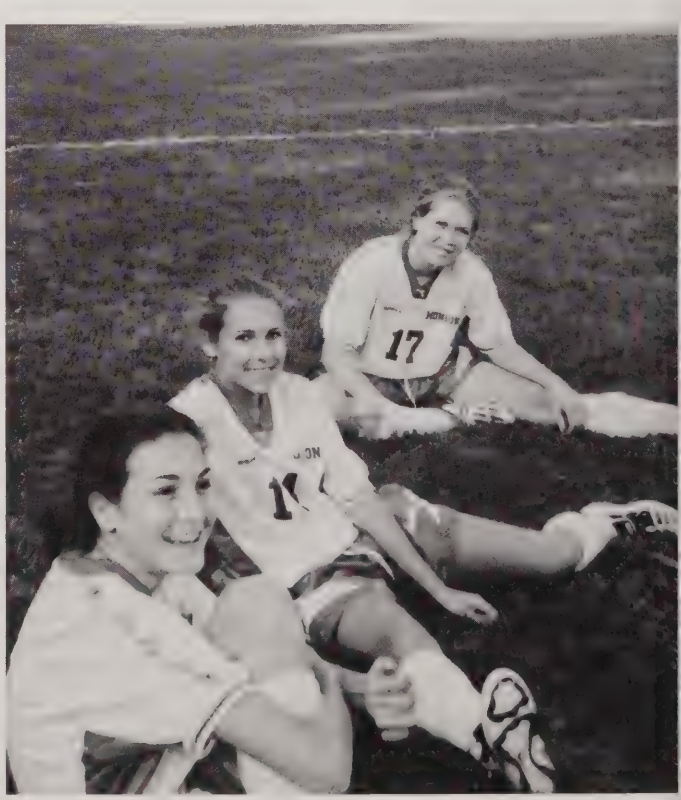
Record	Us	Them
H. Catholic	0	0
Mahar	8	0
Frontier	2	0
Southwick	0	6
Easthampton	2	0
St. Mary's	8	0
C. Comp	4	2
Monumnt Mt	3	2
H. Catholic	6	1
W. Voc.	7	0
Southwick	2	8
Easthampton	3	0
C. Comp	2	1
Palmer	0	1
St. Mary's	9	0
S. Hadley	2	3
Palmer	0	2

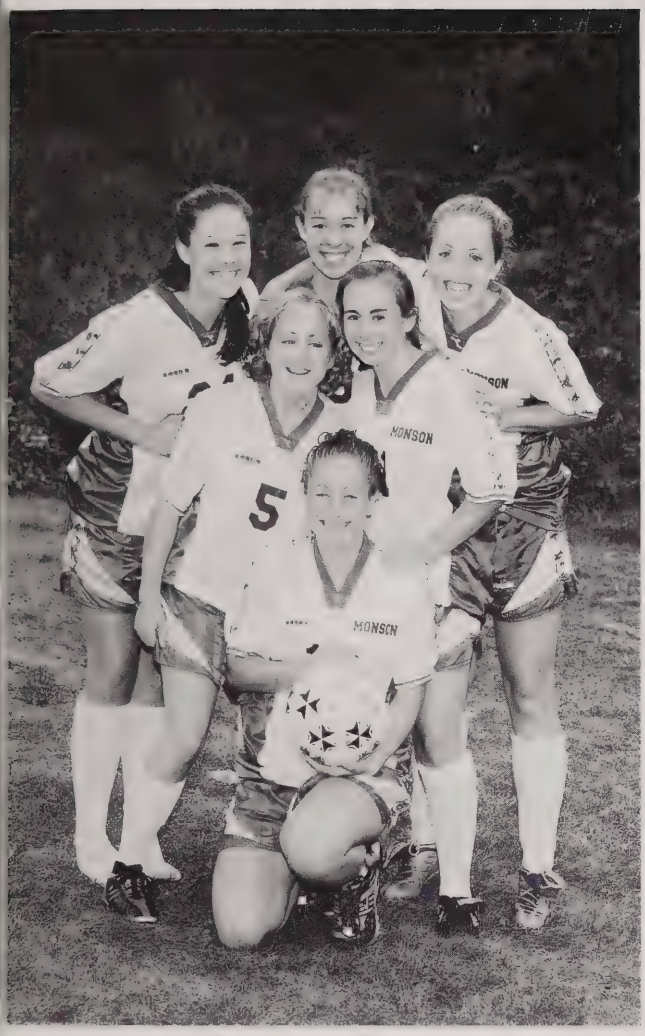
Back Row: J. Dryer, M. Zurawka, J. Adams, B. Haley, J. Peck, K. Battige, E. Beauchemin, Manager K. Heim, Coach Braski
Middle Row: J. Richmond, K. McMahon, A. Kane, S. Strong, S. Beauliou, G. Albano
Front Row: S. Grassetti, M. Hood, M. Callahan, B. Walker, N. Culverwell, A. Wilson

Above: Super Kelsey taking the field.

Above: Kerry busting a move.

Right: Stretching out before the big game.





Below: Martha Hood battles it out against Monument Mountain.
Bottom: Andrea and Meaghan bonding on the bench.

Back Row: Coach Degnan, C. McNeill, E. Amerman, G. Pegeraro, C. Haley, B. Kortecamp, J. Olson, M. McNeill, B. Evans, K. Callahan
Front Row: M. Goodrich, H. Grassetti, J. McBride, K. Jasik, A. Hope, A. Colette, Martine, R. Colette

The girls of Monson Varsity soccer had an outstanding season for 2003. The girls had eleven wins, five losses, and one tie while recording eight shutouts in the process. They made it to the post-season, but sadly lost in the first game against Lenox 4-2. Varsity also beat league champions Frontier and Monument Mountain in the season. The Junior Varsity girls also had an excellent season, going unde-feated. Good luck next year!

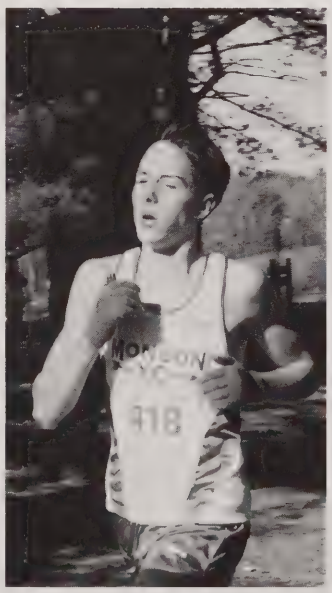
Cross Country

Season's Highlights

The boys Cross Country Team had another excellant season. They were repeat winners of the Pioneer Valley League, finishing with an outstanding 12-2 record. The team placed 3rd at Western Mass and also qualified for the State Meet; only the second team in school's history to qualify for this special event. The team concluded their excellant season placing 15th overall at the State meet.

Front Row: A. Boucher, G. Easton, S. Larkin, P. Sauriol, Z. Santamaria, J. Dubois, B. Fitzgerald, A. Ducomb
Middle Row: M. Wolf, M. Bradway, S. Nowak, E. Okscin, R. Brown, J. Densmore, J. Mayo, P. Szarlan
Back Row: Coach Devine, K. Tranguese, M. Lee, T. Fussell, D. Ochs, A. Richmond, T. Belini, B. Sweitzer

Above: Taking the lead is Christina Stratton



Right: All-League & Western Mass Spike Nowak runs hard to the finish line

Right: After placing 6th at Western Mass, the girls celebrate with a bonfire

Left: Placing 3rd in Western Mass and being the 2nd team in school history to qualify for States, the boys sit as a team

Left: Caitria O'Neill races to win at Western Mass

Below: Coach Roebuck gives the girls a pep talk
Bottom Left: Senior Matt Baron earns an All-League title

Front Row: A. Felicity, S. Wilson, L. Hatch, K. Bohdiewicz, O. Bischoff, C. Stratton, D. McElhiney, T. Hubbard, A. Roebuck
Back Row: B. Maloni, A. Lawrence, K. Biggs, L. Fograshy, M. Michaels, M. O'Neill, J. Hackett, A. Wood, D. Hall, C. O'Neill, Coach Roebuck

Season's Highlights

The girls Cross Country team wowed the crowd with their 13-1 record. They won the league title in the Pioneer South League, and placed 5th at the P.V.I.A.C. Championship out of thirty schools. The team also placed 6th at Western Mass out of 20 schools. Coach Roebuck plans for an even better and brighter season next year.

Cheerleaders know how to have fun! Right, Kyle and Amanda goofing off

Cheering is fun inside and out!

Cheering

Top: K. Rodriguez, E. Squires
Bottom: K. Irla, L. Brown, A Kirkpatrick, B. Lord, T. Soya

Sisterly love and cheerleading are synonomous terms. Above, Jessica and Felicia show their spirit.

Girls Basketball

Highlights

After losing two of the leading scorers and having many of the players not return, the Monson Lady Mustangs had a rough season ahead of them. The season finished with a record of only three wins and many players were becoming extremely frustrated. Despite the terrible record they still had a fun season. Between practices and bus rides home they built strong friendships and great memories. Best of luck to the Lady Mustangs next season.

Back: Coach Pascale, M. Olson, J. Peck, B. Kortecamp, B. walker, K. Methe, Coach Arbor.
Front: G. Albano, E. Pelissier, J. Dreyer, K. Battige, G. Pegararo, S. Beauleiu.

Above: K. Battige thinks about her game plan

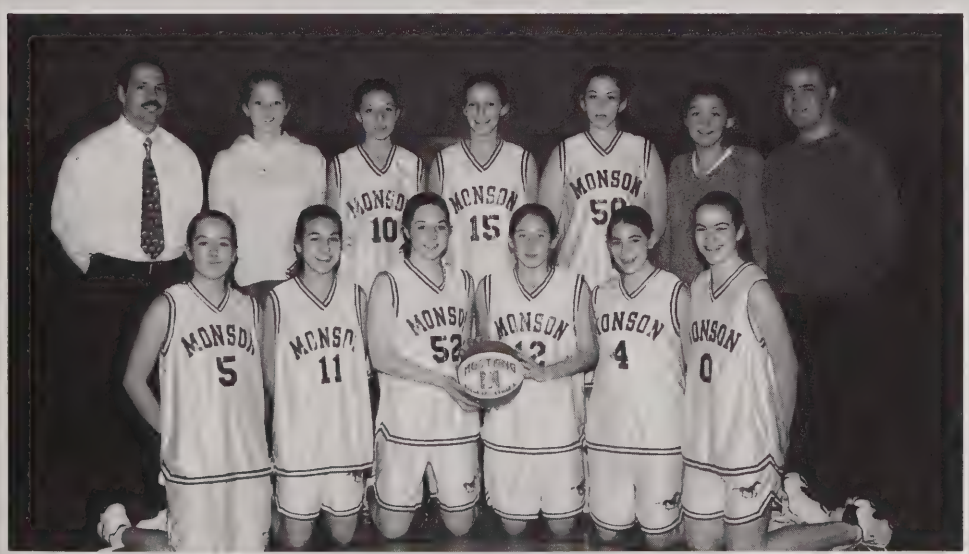
Right: Maggie thanks her mom for her loving support.

Right: J. Peck will miss the love from her senior girls.

Left: Maggie receives flowers from team-mate Jo on senior night

Britt Walker received the Mustang Ball, making her parents proud

Below: Seniors holding on to their precious moments, bench talk



Back: Coach Arbor, B. Haley, J. Olson, C. Haley, K. Peck, Coach Rogers, R. Williams
Front: K. Hope, S. Strong, M. Sheehan, J. Richmond, S. Irla, A. Evans

Season Opponents

Granby

Ware

South Hadley

Commerce

Hampshire

Gateway

Sabis

Southwick

Palmer

Boys Basketball

Season's Highlights

The series of events in the Ludlow vs. Monson game epitomized how the season went. There were very exciting games, come-back wins and some just missed games. Our last game of the season was just as exciting as our first- with 17.8 seconds on the clock the team was down by one point after being down by twenty with three minutes left in the game. This team had heart, determination and a never-give-up attitude. It was old school!

Back: Coach Devine, G. Kissel, D. Ochs, R. Donnell, C. Ottomiello, J. Pridokas, Coach Ison
Front: A. Franke, B. Lord, M. Hebert, J. Farquhar , K. Murphy

Above: Kissel and Pridokas finally have a minute to breathe.

Right: Lord, show us your moves!

Right: Quick! Team huddle

Left: Jesse getting low against opponet Granby

Left: "Hey Kissel! Move it!"

Below: Just Seniors!

Back Row: Rob, E. Dupre, S. Walsh, J. Russell, R. Biggous, Coach Gross
Front Row: K Metcalf, A. Thrasher, G. Beyor, J. Pascale, R. Murphy

Season Opponents

Hampshire

Holyoke Catholic

Ware

Sabis

Belchertown

Ludlow

Granby

Southwick

Palmer

Gateway

Right: Just Seniors!

Right: Seniors sob as they say good-bye at their home meet

Below: Graham and Bobby chillin' with the ladies

Season's Highlights

The Girls Varsity Swim Team finished the season with a record of 6 wins and 6 losses in the A division. This young team rose up to and met many challenges during the season. Seven girls competed in the Western Mass sectional meet and four moved on to the state meet.

Back: H. Tienken, A. Shrenker, A. Blankenship, M. O'Neil, J. Northup, M Michaels, C. Colling, M. Colling, C. O'Neil.
Middle: Coach Manley, M. Fowler, K. Peckham, C. Hutchinson, C. Stratton, M. Callahan, J. Lamontagne, E. Hatch, K. Germain, Coach Galica.
Front: D. Foucher, K O'Shea, A. Felicity, K. Smith, A. Wilson, D. McElhiney, H. Grasseti, S. Wilson, K. Rahimi.

Swimming

Season's Highlights

The Boys Varsity Swim Team finished the season with a record of 7 wins and 5 losses in the A division. All team members swam strong throughout the season. Nine Boys competed at Western Mass sectionals and seven boys swam and dove at the state meet.

Back: B. Sweitzer, R. Hatch, S. Maheux, R. Shorette, A. Richmond, J. Chartier, J. Brassard.
Middle: Coach Manley,. T. Belini, J, Densmore, R. Squires, C. Easton, M. Sweitzer, M. Lee, Coach Galica.
Front: S. Pennington, N. Manley, M. Wolf, R. Dunn, M. Galica, G. Easton, T. Tighe, B. Maggi. Not Pictured: Mangaer S. Grassetti

Left: Arianne, Jessica and Meaghan smiling because they did well

Above: Senior Captain Caitling hugs Coach Manleyas they say their good-byes at the last home meet.

Left: Steve Mahuex, Ready, Set, Swim!

Track and Field

The girls track and field team had another excellent season placing second in the Suburban League with an amazing record of seven wins and one loss. The girls placed seventh at Western Mass Championships with first place in the 4 x800 relay. New school records were set this season by Katie Methe in the discus with a toss of 88'7" and Caitria O'Neill in the 2 mile with a time of 12:17.

Back Row: Coaches Roebuck and Pennington, M. Colling, D. Hall, L. Fograshy, B. Kortecamp, J. Adams, D. Wood, M. O'Neill, B. Walker, C. Colling, M. Michaels, K. Biggs.
Coach Evans, B. Maloni, S. Boudurtha, K. Heim, M. Pascale, A. Kane, C. O'Neill, M. Callahan, M. Zurawka, K. Methe, M. Fowler, A. Evans, A. Watroba, Managers M. Nolan and D. Foucher.
C. Stratton, R. Jurszyk, E. Pascale, J. Conners, K. Germain, J. Richmond, E. Hatch, S. Strong, C. McNeil O. Bischoff, K. Bohdiewicz, K. Battige.
Front Row: E. Pellisier, A. Wilson, A. Felicetty, T. Hubbard, S. Lyons, K. O'Shea, G. Albano, l. Ducomb, A. Hope, S. Wilson, D. McElhiney, K. Chalue, S. Irla.

Top: Meaghan Pascale shot the shot.
Below: It's all about the pace

Above: Julie Adams speeds past Comp in the 100
Right: Senior girls

Left: Coach Devine rallies the team
Lower Left: Senior guys

Left: E.J. Newhouse intimidates the South Hadley guys
Below: Hop, skip, jump the distance

Back Row: Coach Devine, J. Brassard, E.J. Newhouse, D. Kane, S. Woodbury, R. Donnell, R. Shorette, R. Hatch, A. Richmond, T. Belini, J. Chartier, T. Fussell, B. Sweitzer, S. Maheux, R. Brown, M. Sweitzer, M. Lee.
Middle Row: A. Ducomb, S. Wolfing, J. Mayo, J. Densmore, P. Goodreau, S. Nowak, E. Okscin, M. Bradway, M. Szarlan, E. Sousa, D. Porth, R. Dunn, M. Wolf, P. Szarlan, N. Manley, P. Sauriol, D. Maheux, D. Bergeron, G. Easton.
Front Row: E. Sherman, E. Peck, J. Pregent, Z. Santamaria, J. Dubois, C. Postl, B. Fitzgerald, S. Larkin, S. Pennington, A. Boucher, C. Johnson, B. Maggi, B. Sousa, M. Woloshchuck.

The cool part of running is watching student/ athletes get better and better. Thats the fun part. This season the Boys Track and Field Team had fun. They ran some, put the shot, jumped over the high bar, threw the javelin and most of the time did a little better than their opponents. The team finished the regular season 6-2, the best record since the school started the track and field team back in 1996. Rich Donnell and Dennis Kane both hold the new 110HH record and Ryan Dunn tied the pole vault record at 10'6". Everyone's PR were better at the end of the season.

Right: Water break
Lower Right: MHS warms up

Right: Manfro contemplates the game
Below: Frankie and Dan Ochs jog it in

Back Row: Managers C. Haley and J. Olson, M. Walker, M. Ferry, T. McLeod, R. DeMaio, S, Salerno, R. Grassetti, Coach Degnan.
Front Row: R. Chevailer, V. Torchia, E. Hebert, N. Petrisis, J. Allard, D. Podworksi, D. Thrasher.

Season's Opponents

Palmer

Sci Tech

Southwick

Westfield Voc.

Belchertown

Hampshire

Gateway

Ware

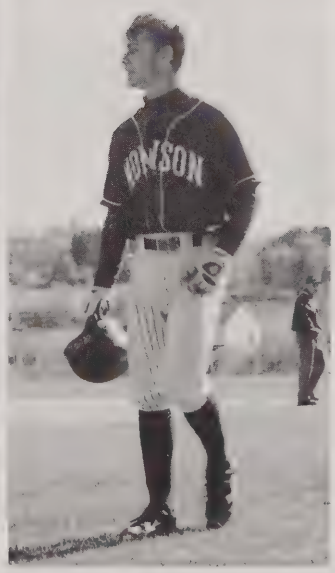
Holyoke Catholic

Baseball

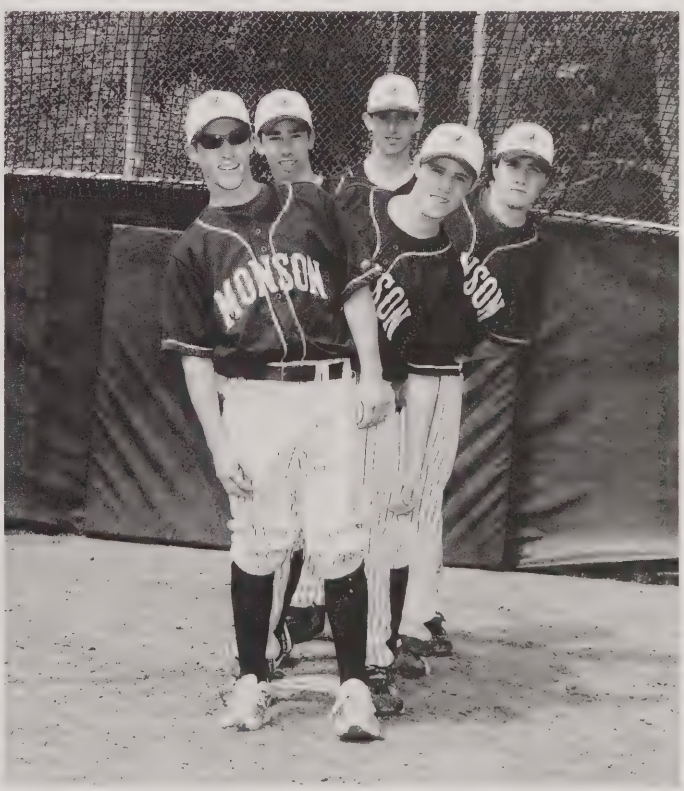
The boys Varsity Baseball Team had a successful season with wins against Ware (4-3), Gateway (5-4, 5-3) and Holyoke Catholic (6-3). The team qualified for the Western Mass Tournament and finsished second in the Bi-County North League. And according to Coach K, "Everyday playing baseball is a highlight!"

Back Row: Coach K, M. Allard, D. Hope, G. Kissel, D. Ochs, A. Franke, I. McNaughton.
Front Row: P.Walker, M. Baron, M. Walch, A. Willis, D. Manderdini, K. Murphy.
Not Pictured: Managers M. Olson andC. Wysocki, R. LaBonte, Coach Lucas.

Top: Matt Baron shows his form
Below: Dan Hope ready to go



Above: Ray LaBonte looking pensive
Right: Check out those senior guys!



Softball

The Varsity Softball team played hard against the formidable opposition this season. The highlight of the season was a 15-13 victory over Easthampton, in which a 10-run second inning carried the team to victory. A solid base of players will serve as a springboard for future success.

Back Row: Coach Targonski, M. McLeod, J. Peck, A, Blankenship, J. Hackett, J. Doup, S. LaBonte
Front Row: B. Porth, A. Lang, S. Beaulieu, G. Brothers, J. Bailey, K. Hope, A. Collette

Top: Close one Jenna!
Bottom: Jordyn and Sarah watch the game

Above: At bat
Right: Senior Nicolle Culverwell smiles for the camera with Jenny B

Back Row: E. Cote, K. Callahan, C. Anderson, K. Peck, A. Kirkpatrick, Coach Rogers
Front Row: K. Sheehan, T. Uliana, H. Tienken, V. Lemay, M. Sheehan, L. Hackett, J. Willis

Season's Opponents

St. Mary's

Ware

Easthampton

Gateway

Holyoke Catholic

Sci-Tech

Belchertown

Sabis

Granby

Palmer

McCann Tech

Southwick

Left: Nice swing, Garrett.
Lower Left: Colin and Corey give it a thumbs up.

Left: What are you trying to say Colin?
Below: Coach Grant and the senior golfers.

Right: Practicing his swing

GOLF

This season senior captains Chris Lemon, Jesse Arthur and Josh Pridokas lead the team to finish the season 13-5 Overall the team placed second in the state in Division Three at Stockbridge Golf Course. League All-Stars this season were Jesse Arthur, Josh Pridokas and Garrett Beyor. Garrett also placed second in the state in individual play at the state tournament.

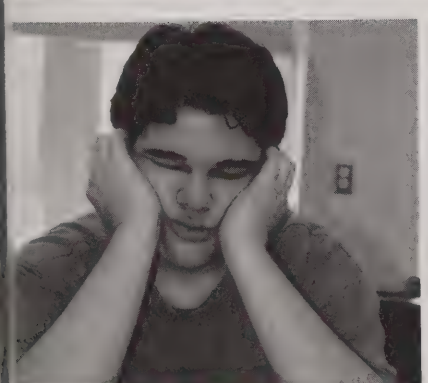
Back Row: J.P. Vadnais, C. Fenton, S. Walsh, B. Dart, J. Arthur, J. Johnson, J. Pridokas, J. Pascale
Middle Row: A. Mesheau, J. Russell, C. Lemon, B. Lord, C. Easton,.C.J. Olson
Front Row: P. Donovan, M. Oppel, B. Visneau, M. Dangleis, J. Griffen, G. Beyor, B. McDonald

Above: What are you looking at?
Left: Andrew and Brandon

Above: A-huh, huh, huh

PROOF

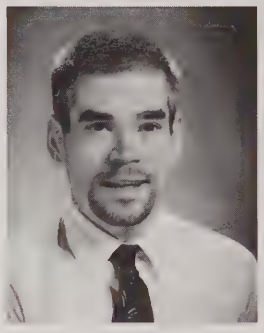
...one for all



Freshmen

Class officers: L. Fay, C. Pelissier, B. Lord, G. Albano

Freshman year is full of hope and excitement, anxiety and fear. The class of 2007 certainly set all freshman fears aside. Whether it was selling wierd T-shirts for the environment, or raising money for the Winter Carnival kiss the pig contest, the class of 2007 certainly made their mark in high school history.



Class Advisors
Mr. Bardwell and
Ms. Geisser

Gianna Albano
Nicholas Albert
Sarah Allard
Courtney Anderson
Tiffany Bacon
Michael Barrett

Lucretia Bedward
Anthony Belini
Daniel Bergeron
Garrett Beyor
Ryan Bigos
Carlee Bouthiller

Ashley Boutin
Scott Bratianu
Edward Brown
Marissa Brown
Michael Candido
Samantha Como

Jamie Conners
Emily Cote
Ryan Daly
Andrew DuComb
Eric Duprey

1 though it would be fun to run

Liz Dupuis
Grahm Easton
Allison Evans
Leah Fay
Matthew Ferry

Patrick Fitzgerald
Chelsea Fountain
James Griffin
Courtney Haley
Alexander Harrington

2 Katie's game afterschool

Russ Hatch
Karin Heim
Lachlan Higgins
Heather Hofstetter
Katie Hope

Samantha Irla
Ambyr Ironfield
Bethany Johnson
Ryan Johnson
Dennis Kane

Until 3 Tim had to practice

Jacob King
Sarah King
Amanda Kirkpatrick
Courtney Kulas
Toni Lawrence

2007

Class of

4 a concert
with Julie

Chris Lopez
Brooke Lord
Laura Maggi
Dennis Maheux
Felicia McCarthy

Ian McNaughton
Caitlin McNeill
Megan McNeill
Lauren Messer
Andrew Metzdorf

At 5 Mike would
be waiting to give
them a ride

Elizabeth Mitchell
Matthew Mott
Matthew Murphy
Ryan Murphy
Eric Newhouse

Chris Newsome
Tim Newton
Caitlin Norton
Caitria O'Neill
CJ Olson

For dinner at 6
with Chelsea

Jamie Olson
Justin Panico
Katherine Peck
Chloe Pelissier
Dustin Pelkey

Ashley Pierce
Chris Postl
Joe Pregent
Patrick Raymond
Chris Rhodes

Jamie Richmond
Aaron Rittlinger
John Russell
Jacob Sanford
Paul Sauriol

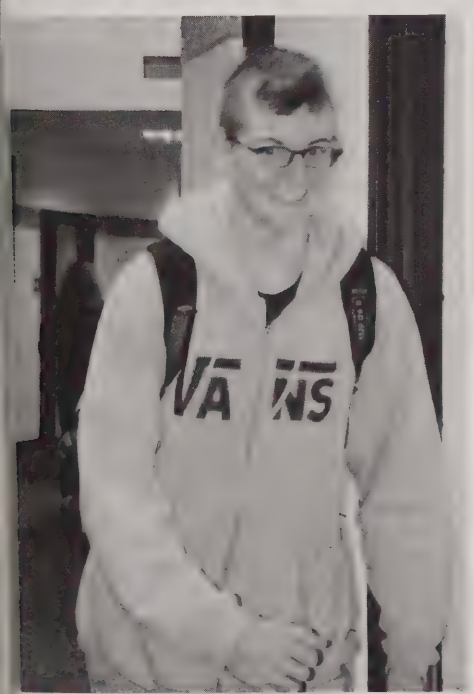
Moira Sheehan
Ryan Shorette
Ariane Shrenker
Keith Sisco
Chelsea Slozak

Samantha Strong
Nicole Suprenant
Michelle Thomas
Alan Thrasher
Joe Turenne

Toni Uliana
Laura Visneau
Amanda Watroba
Karl Winkler
Dawna Wood

At 7 all eyes would be on Caitlin

By 8 Jake-the-Great had lost his date



Sophomores

Class officers: J. Kulas, R. DeMaio, P. Goodreau, D. Ochs

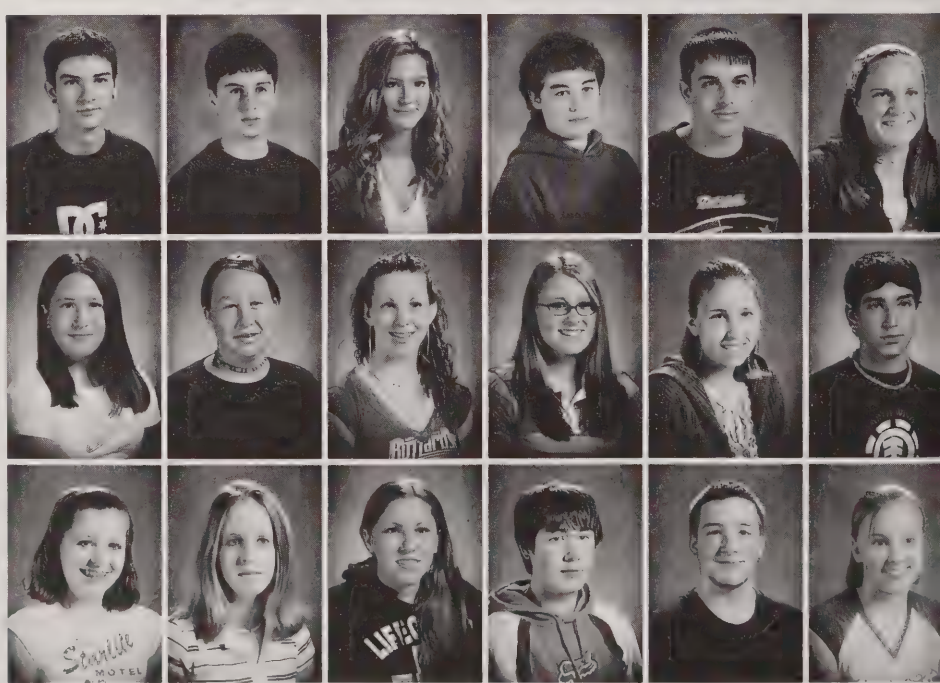
What a year for the Class of 2006 We turned 16...we get our permits...and then our license! Some of us work, while many of us are athletes> We are the class of diverse and unique talents> We are who we are, we are the Class of 2006.

Class Advisors
Mrs. Cartier and
Mrs. Sargeant

Eric Albert
Michael Allard .
Elizabeth Amerman
Robert Auld
Joe Bartlett
Sarah Beaulieu

Jessica Bielanski
Kayla Biggs
Amanda Blankenship
Stephanie Bodurtha
Kathleen Bohdiewicz
Richard Brisbois

Gennie Brohters
Colleen Campbell
Elise Caney
Michael Cardin
Joe Chalue
Karen Chalue.



Jamie Chavez
Alison Collette
Amber-Rose Dane
Shannon DeGray
Ryan Demaio

Sean Donovan
Jill Dreyer
Rachel Elliott
Martin Fales
Lauren Fograshy

Shaina Fontaine
Danielle Foucher
Monica Fowler
Theron Fussell
Dean Gilley

Emily Goncalves
Patrick Goodreau
Brian Goodwin
Raymond Grassetti
Layla Hackett

Tykesha Hart
Charles Hastings
Dan Hope
Trisha Howard
Katie Hutchinson

Kim Jasik
Josh Jordan
Jonathan Jorge
Jessica Klisiewicz
Brooke Kortecamp

1 -der-ful Chistina

Joe is 2 cool

3 cheers for Kayla

2006

Class of

All 4 Kiley

Live at 5 with....

6 to one Dan is having fun

Jamie Kulas
Shaina LaBonte
Jaquelin Lomontagne
Erica LaMoutain
Amandakelly Lawrence

Jessica Lazarz
Lindsey Lessard
Chris Lewis
Brandi Maloni
Brittney Manning

Robert Matrow
Josh Mayo
Jennifer McBride
Danielle McElhiney
Andrew Mesheau

Jamie Messian
Kyle Metcalf
Margaret Michael
Jessica Morgan
Rhiannon Mulloy

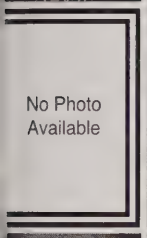
Treagan Mynatt
Megan Nolan
Casey Nothe
Spike Nowak
Dan Ochs

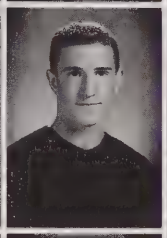
Michael Oppel
Steven Partlow
Joseph Pascale
Jordyn Peck
Gina Pegoraro

Jennifer Poulin
Sarah Pray
Layla Rahimi
Alex Rahkonen
Derek Roche

Sarah is lucky 7

Andrew Scribner
Evan Serio
Jared Sheilds
Maaz Siddiqui
Kiley Skinner





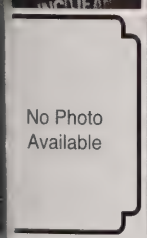
Craige Slozak
Erica Smith
Eric Souza
Christina Stratton
Ryan Suprenant

Monica thinks its great to be 8

Michael Szarlan
Ian Talmadge
Holly Tienken
Emily Tomasaucks
Dominic Torchia

Jean-Paul Vadnais
William Visneau
Sean Walsh
Ashley Williams
Sarah Wilson

Meghan is fine with 9



Ashleigh Wood
Mary Zurawka

Juniors

Class Officers: A. Richmond, D. Hall, J. Doup (not pictured) , Coery Fenton (not pictured)

The Class of 2005 really learned what it meant to grow up this year. With the age of licenses present, much more independence and responsibilty came. Prom also came along with it! The Juniors raised money through the success of fundraisers such as the carwash, magazine drive, and candle drive. What a great year it was!

Class Advisors
Mrs. McDonald and
Mrs Halsall

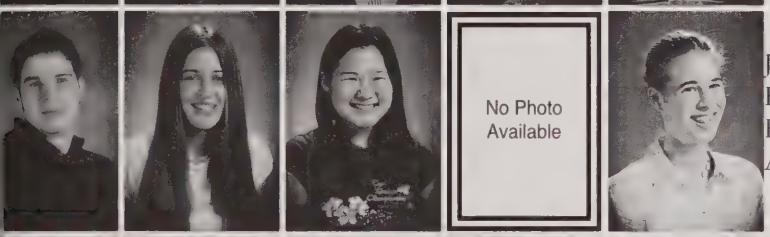
Marshall Adams
Julie Adams
Christina Albano
Jenna-Ann Bailey
Preston Bailey
Kelsey Battige

Erica Beauchemin
Olivia Bischoff
Sarah Blais
Noah Borders
Ryan Boucher
Joshua Chartier

Matt Chouinard
Joanna Clemens
Zachary Daly
Jason Densmore
Juliana Doup
Keith Dulin

Chelsea Dumas
Ryan Dunn
Jaclyn Dupuis
Collin Easton
Cory Fenton

1 was fun



John Fitzgerald
Emily Genereux
Kaitlyn Germain
Anthony Giordano

Brittagne Haley
Danielle Hall
Patricia Harris
Daniel Harwood
Kaitlyn Irla

2 was better

Brittany Johnson
Justin Johnson
Eric Jones
Kate Jones
Deniz Kan

Alexander Katafiasz
Robert Kolakowski
Yelena Korobkov
Jarrad Lane
Ashley Lang

3 went home

Stephanie Lazarz
Mat Lee
Nicholas Loglisci
Brandon Lord

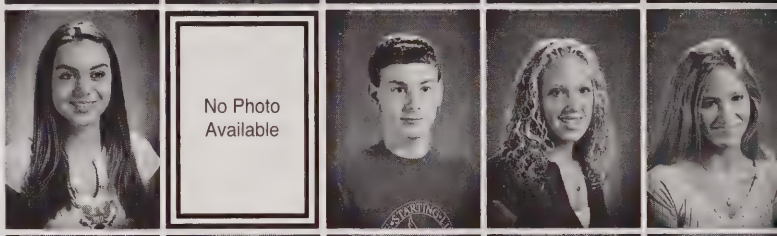
2005

Class of

4 wrote a letter

Anthony Maggi
Steven Maheux
Meaghan McLeod
Kerry McMahon
Kurt Meshlovitz

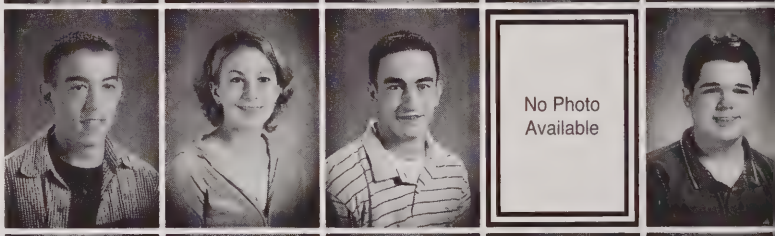
Ashley Messina
Kaitlyn Methe
William Miller
Kaitlyn Moynahan
Paige Moynahan



5 ate school lunch

Kevin Murphy
Julie Newsome
Jennifer Newton
Katherine O'Brien
Morgan O'Neill

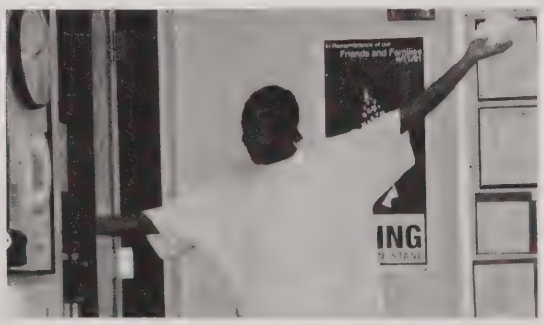
Eric Okscin
Nicole Ouimet
Vincent Pafumi
Nate Pagan
Brian Partelo

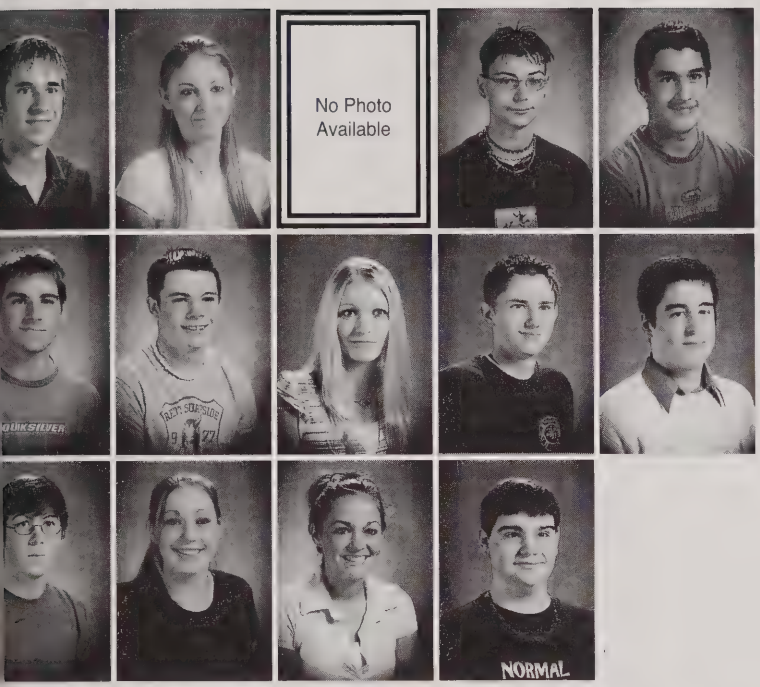


6 went to soccer

Kyle Perry
Brigette Porth
John Rahkonen
Andrew Richmond
Lindsay Russo

Zachary Santamaria
Daniella Serra
Heather Stamm
Shannah Stearns
Derek Strahan





Brian Sweitzer
Shannon Swift
Vladimir Telelyuyev
Casey Templeman
Dexter Ternullo

Andrew Thornholt
Joe Tighe
Danielle Veber
Mathew Walch
Andrew Willis

Shawn Woodbury
Caitlin Woodcock
Carly Wysocki
Richard Yvon

7 struggles with his locker

Oh! and there is 8.... once again running late

SENIORS

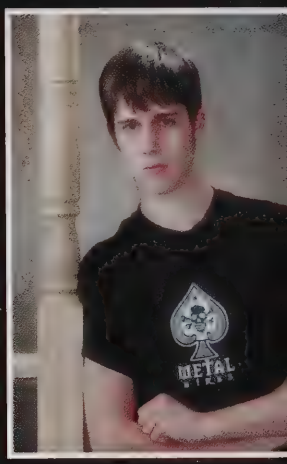
...All for 2004

Class of 2004

Amanda Marie Ainsworth

Christina Marie Allard

Kelly Elizabeth Anderson



Ryan Maxwell Arnold

Jesse Clayton Arthur

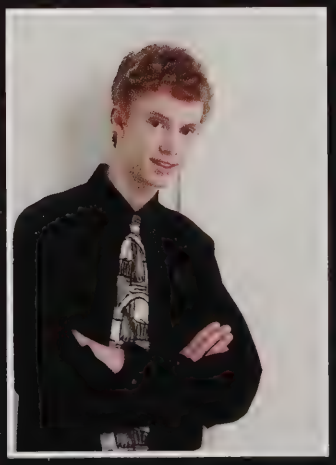
Sara Ashley Ballou

Matthew Alexander Baron

Timothy James Becker

Ashleigh Marie Bergeron

Cassandra Yvonne Boisvert



Jared Alexander Boucher

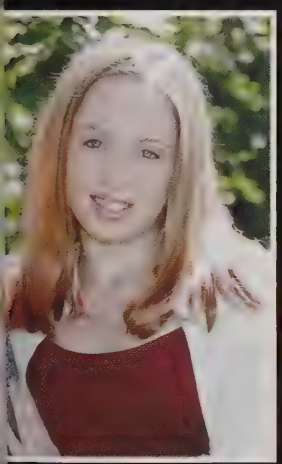
Taneisha Nicole Brouthe

Richard Lawrence Brown

Robert Norman Brown

Marissa Lynne Buker

Amanda Ann Burbee



Meaghan Ann Callahan

Caitlin Ann Colling

Meaghan Elizabeth Colling

Stacy Jean Courniotes

Nicole Marie Croteau

Nicolle Marie Culverwell

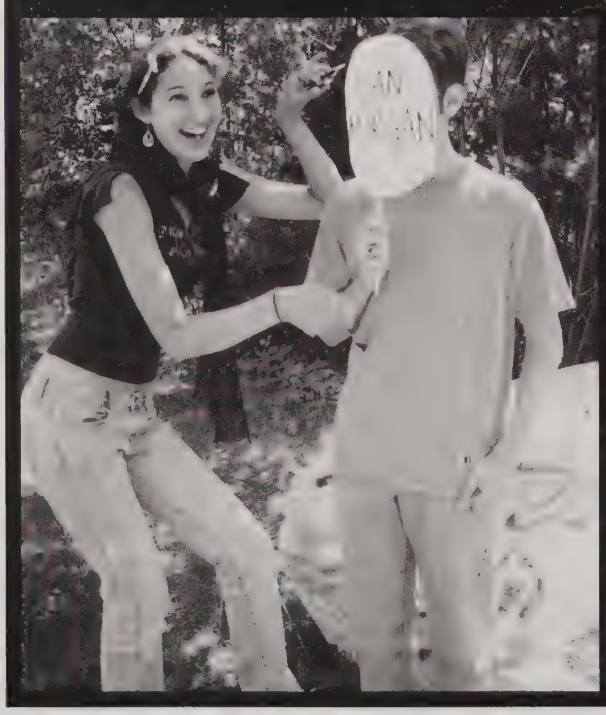
Rhianan Lee Czupryna

Brian Michael Dart

Senior Superlatives

Shortest/Tallest
Eric Laware & Scarlet
Grassetti
Richard Donnell & Lis
Lopez

Most Argumentative
Erica Pascale
Josh Pridokas



Most Artistic
Lisette Lopez
Dan Morgan

Most Dramat
Shannon
Fitzpatrick
Dane Porth

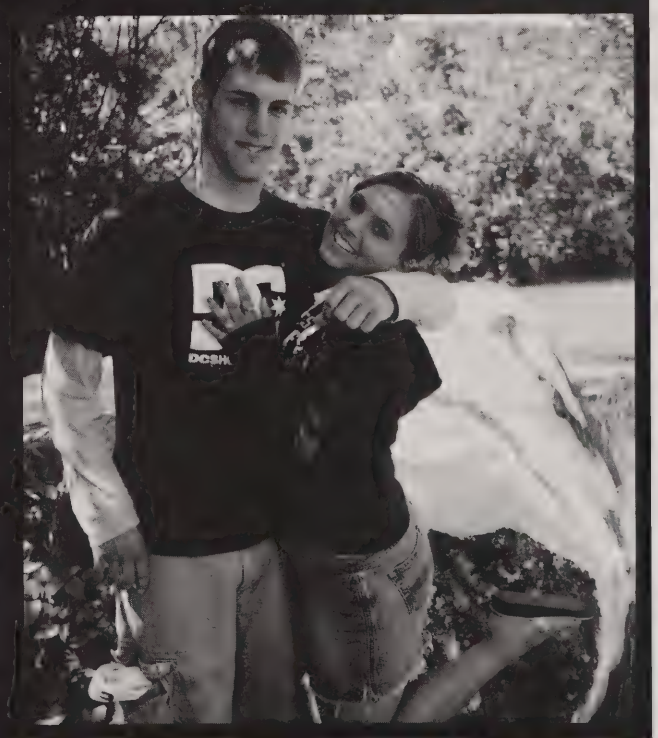
Most Dangerous
Driver
Kristin Foley
Jason Keenan

Class Athletes
Josh Pridokas
Caitlin Colling

Most School Spirited
Kim Roach
Dane Porth

verybody's Friend
Aurelia Shrenker
Rob Nasiatka

Class
Flirts
Ray
LaBonte
Stacy
Courniotes



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Nikole Lynn Davis

Kristen Alexandra Delmonte

Jessica Lynn DeMaio

Kyle Paul DeMaio

Richard Evan Donnell Jr.

Jesse Lee Farquhar

Shannon Leigh Fitzpatrick

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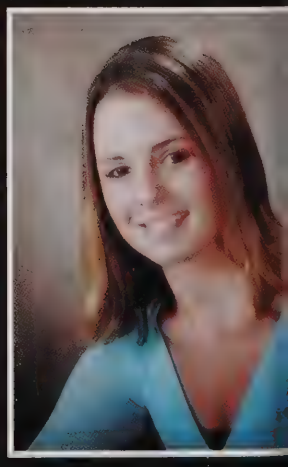
Adam Joseph Franke

Amy Jean Gagne

Kimberly Ann Gelinas



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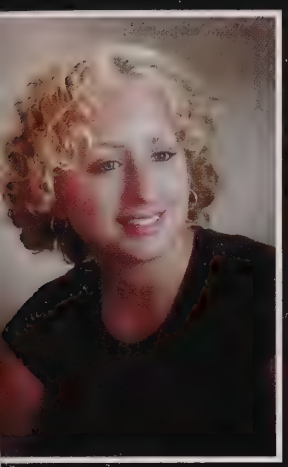

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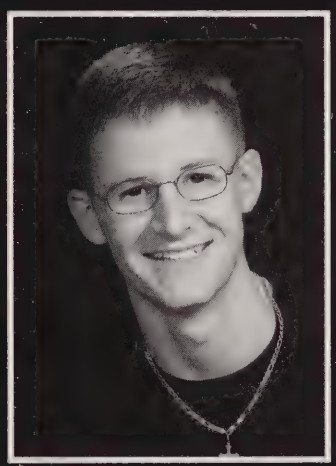

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Lyndsay Renee Kelly

Kristy Lee Knight

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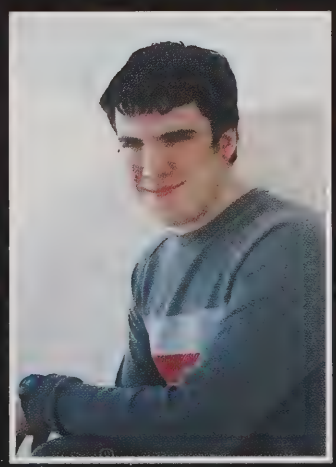
Bryan James LaDue

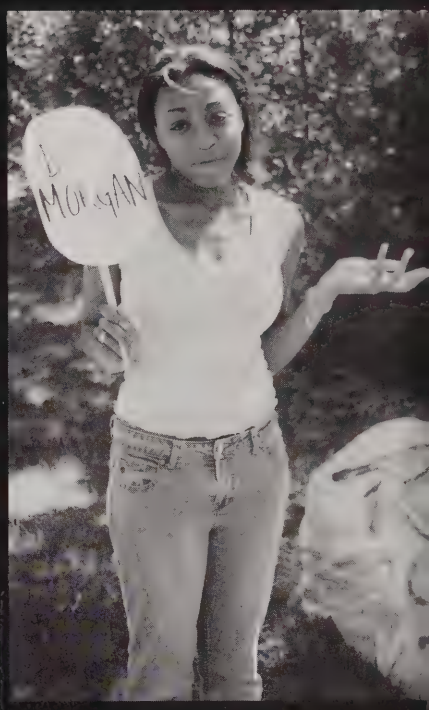


David Ralph LaFromboise

Eric James Laware

Senior Superlatives

Best Hair
Ray LaBonte
Maggie Olson



Class Procrastinator
Taniesha Brouthers
Dan Morgan

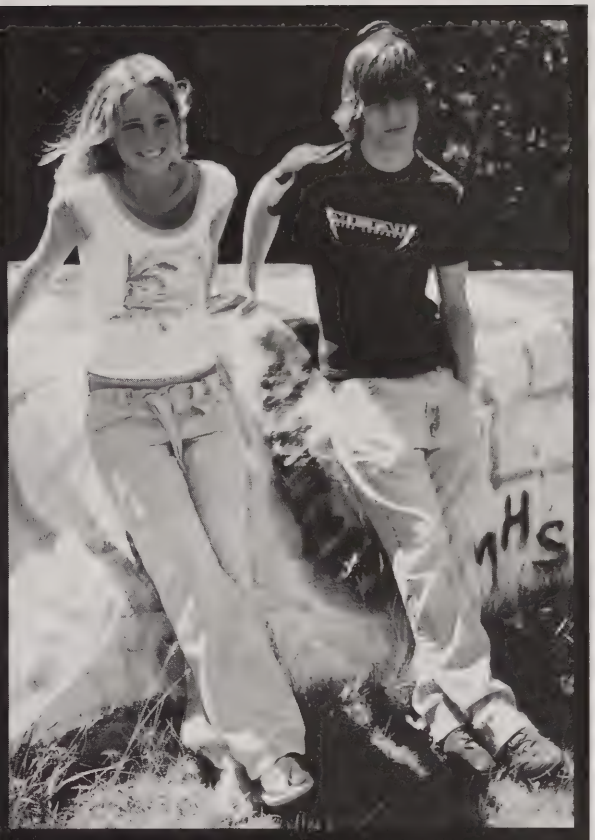
Speaks First,
Thinks Later
Kelsey Shorette
Garrett Hall

Most Talkative
Kim Gelinas
Ryan Arnold

Class Mooch
Danielle Zulch &
Greg Kissel

Typically Tardy
Jessica Zielinski
Chris Ottomaniello
(not pictured)

Done Most for Class
Matt Baron
Caitlin Colling

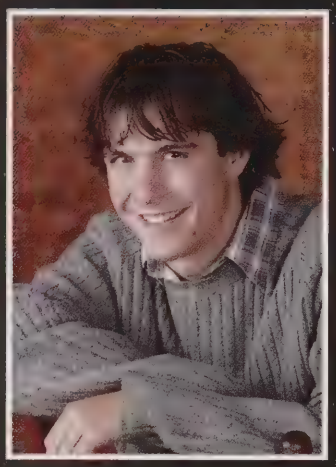


Future Monson-ites
Kim Gelinas
Ryan Arnold

Least Talkative
Meaghan Royce
David Lessard

Most
Musical
Eric
Laware
Aurelia
Shrenker

Class of 2004



Christopher Ryan Lemon

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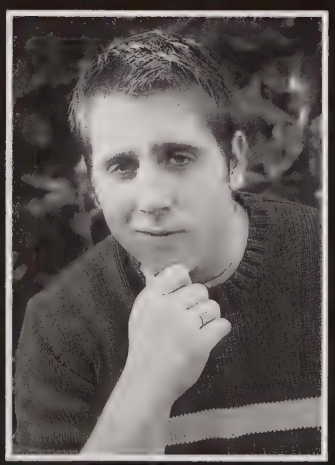
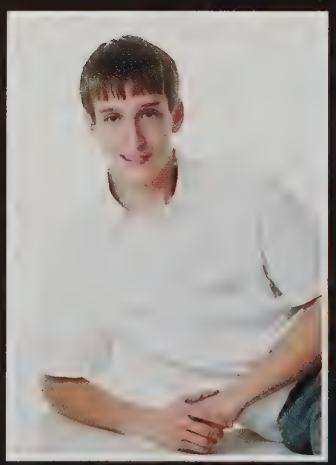
Shannon Lee Menard



Daniel Bruce Morgan



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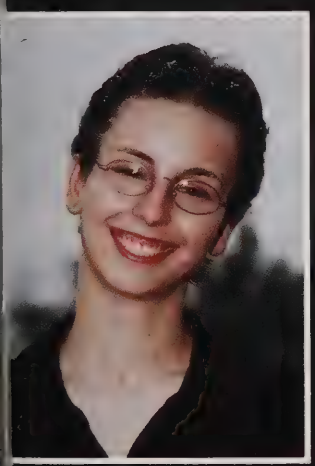
Maggie Marie Olson

Christopher Ottomaniello

Gerrin Mathew Paradis

Erica Lynn Pascale



Megan Hope Pascale

Erin Louise Pelissier

Dane Erich Porth

Joshua James Pridokas

Kimberly Lynn Roach

Meaghan Elizabeth Royce

Haley Amanda Sanderson

Angela Majorie Shorette

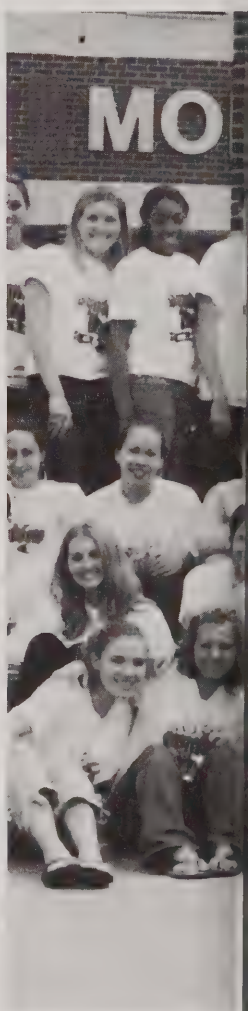
"Life is a garden, Dig It!"

"I live for what I believe andI believe in the way I live" -Changing Skin

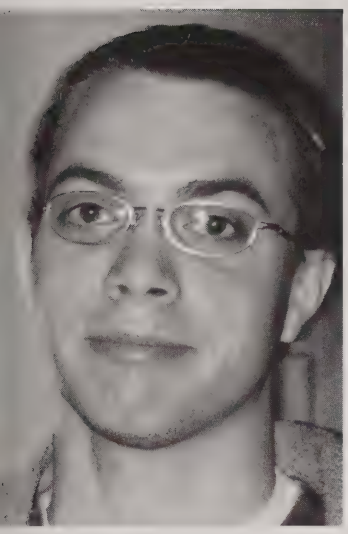
My favorite saying is :Great minds talk about ideas, average minds talk about events, small minds talk about people."

My favorite saying is "I rather be hated for the person I am than to be loved for the person I am not."

"Does anyone want a massage?"



I believe " People often say that you only live once, but if you live like us, once is enough"



I believe "Treat a man as he is, and he will remain as he is; treat a man as he can and should be and he will become as he can and should be"

"All it takes is one decision, a lot of guts, a little vision..."

A LITTLE SOMETHING TO LIVE BY

Class of 2004

Kelsey Sidney Shorette

Aurelia Lucy Shrenker

Farhan Ahmed Siddiqui

Chad Michael Skinner

Robert Avery Squires

Peter Julian Szarlan

Jennifer Leigh Tienken

Andrea Beth Trudeau

Amanda Jane Wakem

Brittany Ann Walker

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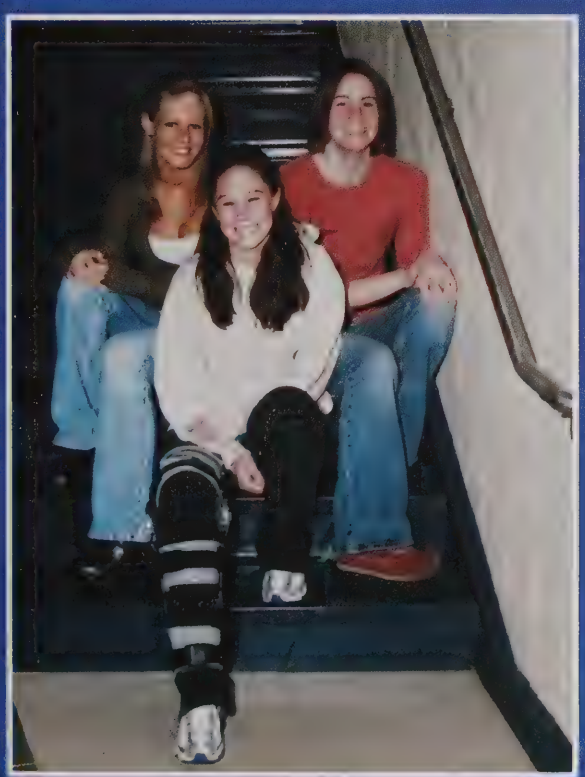
Seniors Not Pictured

Gregory Kissel



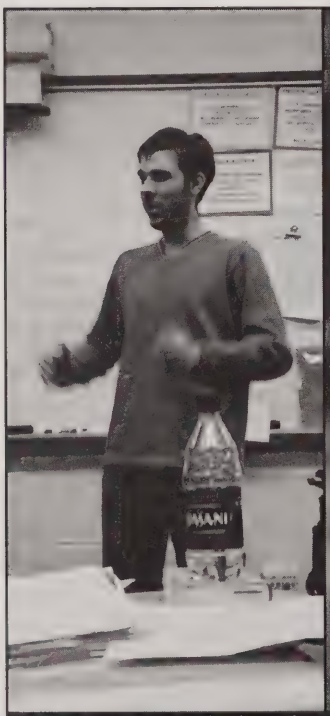
CLASS OFFICERS AND ADVISORS

Mrs. Dionne

Mrs. Mesheau

left to right: Ashleigh Bergeron, Caitlin Colling, Brittany Walker *missing:* Maggie Olson

Just 4 Fun...



"I sit at the right hand

"Full House and Friendly's, it doesn't get much better"

"Mee-yup-y

"Go Red Sox!"

"Go Red Sox!"

"Go Red Sox!"

"GO YANKEES!"

"Hell yeah!"

"You are such a tool"

"Dude, your mom"

"Dude, how's that smell?"

"It's Latte Day! I hope they take debit!"

"Nuggets"

"Nuggets"

"Nuggets"

"PIZZA"

...4 the good of the group

The National Honors Society(NHS) is a club of Monson High's finest. Each student holds at least an 88 grade point average and is involved in both their school and community. Each year the members of NHS hold fund raisers and put on events that benefit charity programs. This year they held a very succesful food drive which raised over 2,000 nonperishable food items for our local open pantry. They also held a daffodil sale which raised money for the American Cancer Society.

National Honors Society

Front row: Matt Baron
Row two: Caitlin Colling, Brittany Walker
Row three: Meaghan Callahan, Scarlette Grassetti, Stacy Courniotes
Top row: Martha Hood, Aurelia Shrenker, Meaghan Colling

Each year five students are elected by the student body to serve in an advisory capacity to the Principal and School Committee. Their primary functions are to inform the School Committee about student issues, advise the committee as part of the decision-making process, initiate proposals and activities, and to be truly representative of the entire student body.

Student Advisory to the School Comittee

Back Row: M. Colling, B. Lord, K. Delmonte
Front Row: A. Shrenker, K.Germain

Debate Team

Back Row: B. Swietzer, M. Siddiqui, T. Howard, K. Chalue, A. Willis
Middle Row: C. Stratton, N. Loglisci, C. O'Neill
Front Row: A. Richmond, K. Germain, D. Strahan, C. Dumas, J. Hackett, M. O'Neill

The Monson High School Debate Team once again had an outstanding season. Juniors Morgan O'Neill and Jessica Hackett achieved their second consecutive undefeated season. Debate members join becuase they enjoy a good argument, or because they feel it might benefit their career later on in life. The Debate Team has matches against other schools once a week, where teams from all over the Pioneer Valley come together at central location to battle out their opinions and research.

Math League

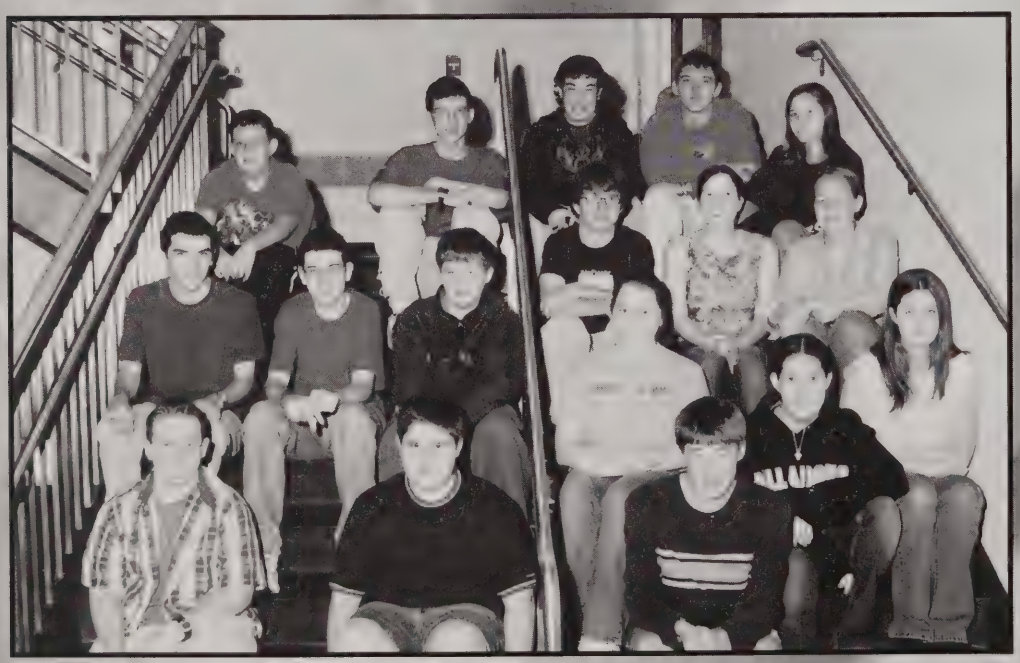
Back Row: Theron Fussel, Andrew Richmond, and Morgan O'Neill
Front Row: Brigette Porth, Jamie Richmond, Oliva Bishoff, and Danielle Hall

This year Monson High's Math League continues with its tough competition coached by Mr. Targonski. During the season the club members participated in one meet a month until the season concluded in February. They battled twenty other schools to solve the most correct answers in the stated time limit. The six categories ranged from basic arithmetic to problem theory. All in all, at the end of the season, the team gathers one last time for the big team meet, which allows the whole team to work together for the last time that season.

The technology club got up and running this year under the advisement of Mr. Lucas. In addition to maintaining the school web site, club members put together a visual morning announcements program. On several mornings this year the entire school tuned in to channel 76 to watch the morning announcements and then spent the rest of the day humming the theme song to Full House. "Everywhere you look..."

Technology Club

Front Row: Eric Laware, Dominic Torchia, Jesse Farquhar, William Miller.
Back Row: Dan McNeill, Eric Jones, Mr. Lucas



While having fun and working hard the chess club, ran by Mr. Targonski, is now in session again this year. While learning about the game and its strategies the members will work hard to fulfill the ultimate goal of every club member...to become the school chess champ.

Chess Club

Front Row: JAmes Griffen, Chris Rhodes, Andrew Richmond
Row 2: Derek Strahan, Matthew Murphey, Matthew Mott, Megan Nolan, Danielle Hall, Sarah King
Row 3: Jake King, Olivia Bishoff, Kayla Biggs
Top Row: Edward Brown , Ryan Boucher, Dan Harwood, Alex Katafiasz, Kathleen Bohdiewicz
Missing: Matt Ferry, Alex Harrington, Jacqueline Lamontagne

Our As School's Match Wits Team had a short season this year with one win and one loss. Family and friends tuned in to 22 News during December to see them battle it out against Suffield Academy, capturing a clsoe victory, 145 to 140 However, they lost to Holyoke High 205-100, due to Single Elimination, their season ended. Congratulations!

As Schools Match Wits

ont Row: Bryan Partelo, Andrew Richmond.
ddle Row: Trisha Howard, Meaghan Colling, Layla Rahimi, Matt Baron
ck Row: Andrew Willis

Mission Statement: "S.T.A.N.D. will encourage our school to be openly supportive of all students; communicate openly about diversity issues, and acceptance of individual differences; provide a shcool environment that is safe and unique to our students needs. S.T.A.N.D. will speak out against any form of discrimination."

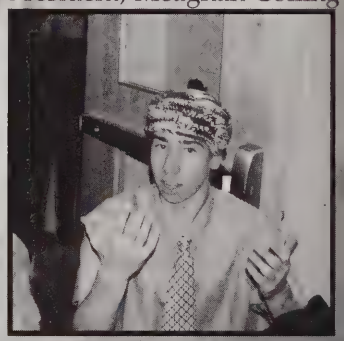
S.T.A.N.D.

Front Row: Chris Lewis, Tykesha Hart, Ashley Lang, Brigette Porth, Megan Nolan, Courtney Kulas.
Middle Row: Dane Porth, Joanna Clemens, Jen Tienken, Sarah Pray, Stephanie Bodurtha
Back Row: Brittany Johnson, Caitlin Moynahan, Kate Jones, Trisha Howard, Julie Newsome, Paige

Student Council

Advisor, Mr. Larrow

President, Meaghan Colling



Vice President, Matt Baron

Secretary, Aurelia Shrenker

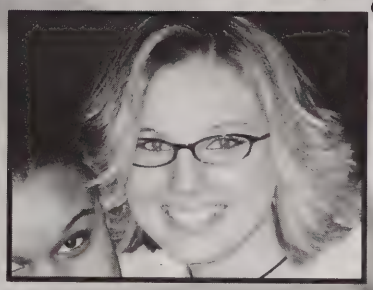
Treasurer, Ryan Dunn

Student Council

Back Row: K. Delmonte, A. Bergeron, J. Pridokas, K. Roach, A. Shrenker, M. Colling.
Middle Row: J. Densmore, R, Dunn, M. Baron, J. Kulas, L. Lessard, C. McNeill, M. McNeill.
Front Row: S. Maheux, L. Dupuis, B. Lord.

Yearbook

Advisor, Ms. Willis



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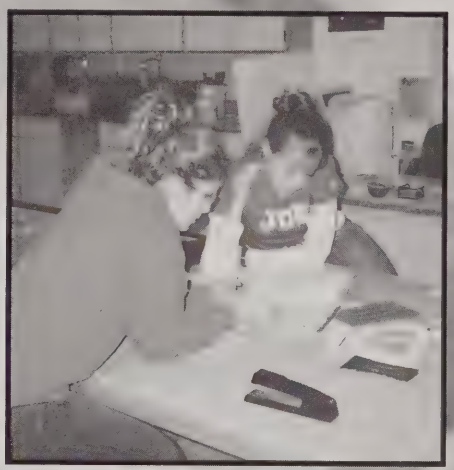


nior Editor, Jaclyn Dupuis

ior Photographer, Nikki Davis

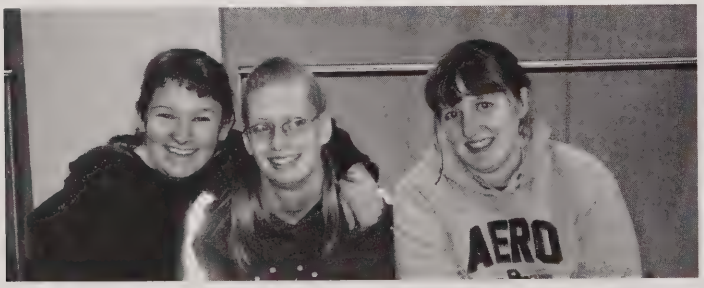
Yearbook Committee

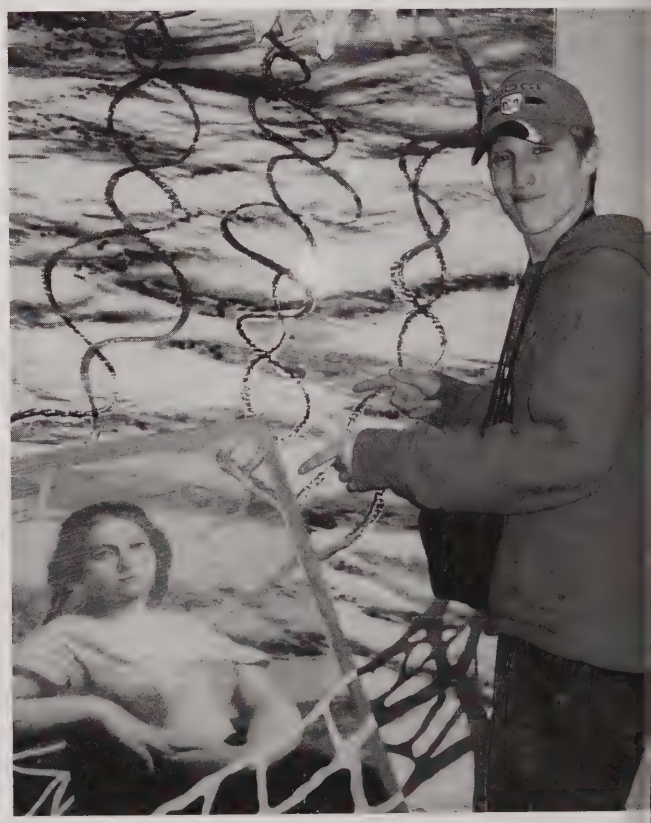
Back Row: K. Roach, S. Strong, M. Hood, A. Shrenker, K. Delmonte.
Middle Row: A. Kirkpatrick, F. McCarthy, K. Battige, J. Bailey, S. Courniotes, N. Pagan.
Front Row: A. Pierce, C. Norton, S. Grassetti, J. Dupuis, K. Hope, L. Fay.

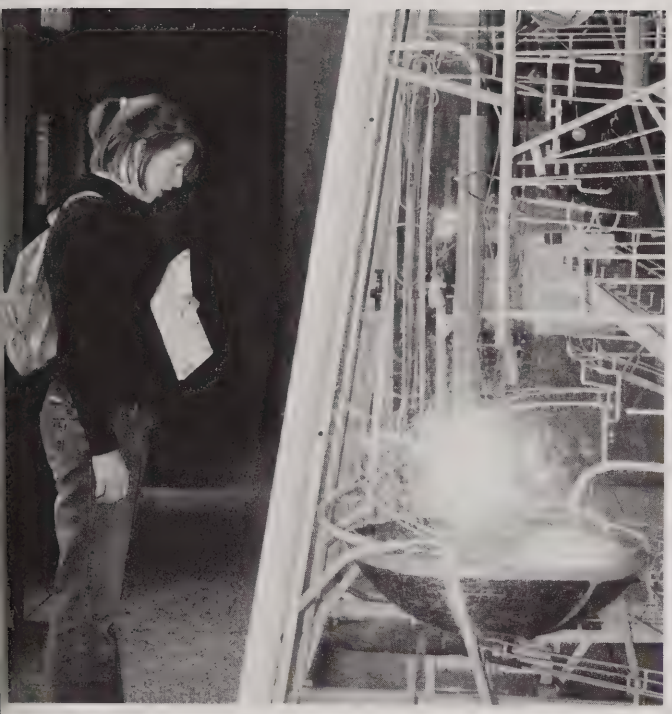
Student Life

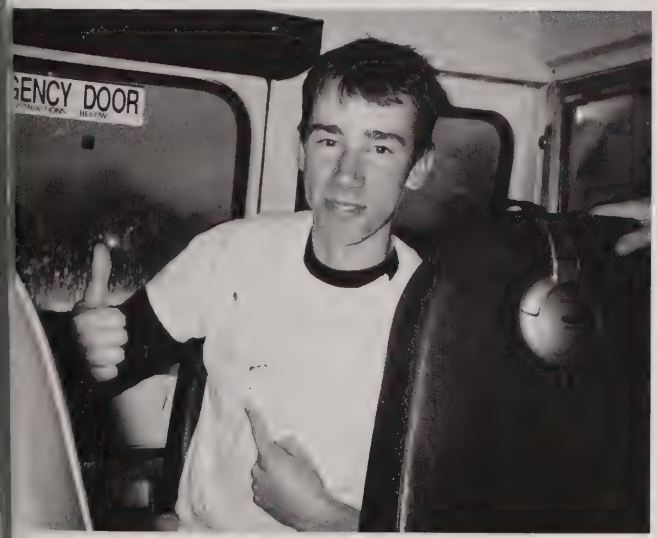
...fun 4 all

The Classroom Beyond Margaret Street..





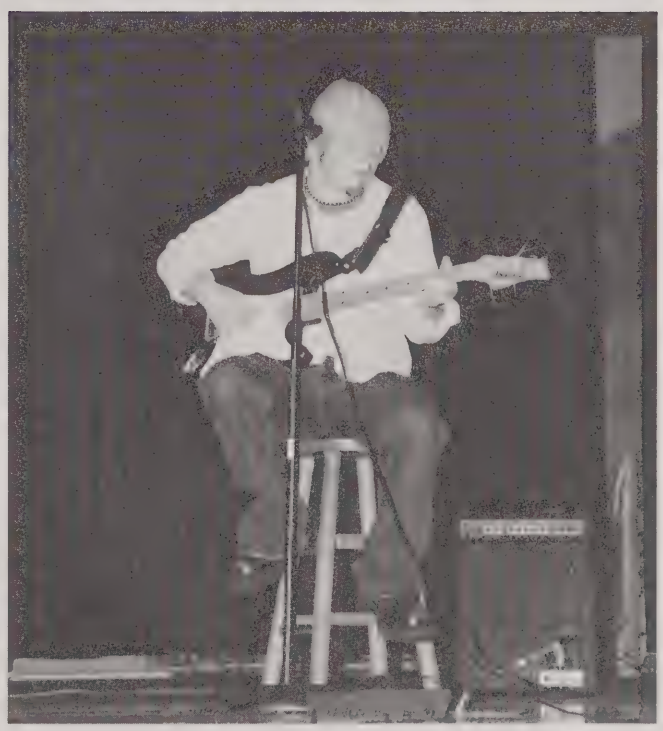




Monson High Field Trips

One Act Plays

Talent Show



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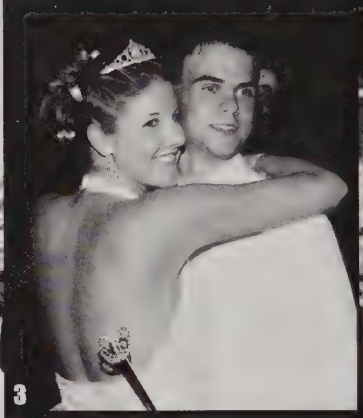
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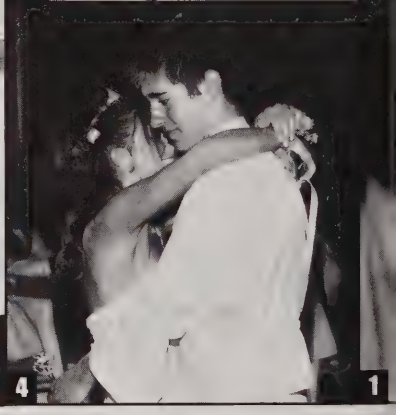
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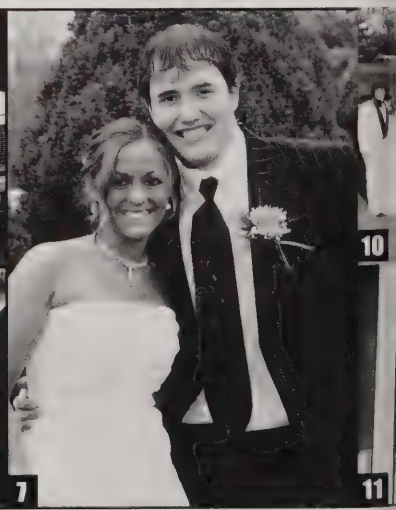
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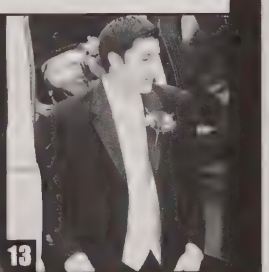


1. King Matt Walsh and Queen Kerry McMahon having their spotlight dance

2. Girls night out? or where are their dates?

3. Court: Meg McLeod and Cory Fenton

4. Court: Paige Moynahan and Brian Sweitzer

5. Brittagne Haley and Will Miller dancing the night away

6. Decked out and ready to have a good time

7. Love-birds Carly and Adam having a great time

8. Ashley Messina and Kristy Knight looking for some familiar faces

9. Kaitlen Moynahan arriving in style

10. Arriving Hummer style

11. Paige, Kaitlen, Brittany-What are you looking at?

12. Christina and date taking a break

13. Dexter is here, let's get the party started!

14. Shannah Stearns...uh, yeah

Prom 2004

Court:
Brian Sweitzer &
Paige Moynahan
Cory Fenton &
Meaghan McLeod
Josh Chartier &
Katie Methe
Kevin Murphy &
Carly Wysocki

Halloween Ball

Right: Josh and Matt "just chillin'" on the wall

Above: Nikki, Stacy, Dara, and Nikki showing off their wild customes.

Above: Love birds Dennis and Brigette having a blast.

Right: Student Council Officers Meaghan and Aurleia grin as they embezzle the revenue from students.

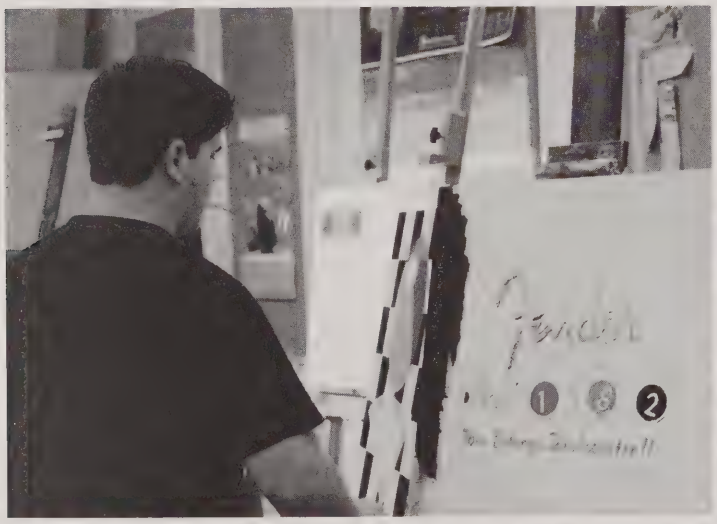
Left: The ladies man Matt Chouinard finds confusion between Tiffany Bacon and Chelsea Slozak.

Below: Belle of the Ball Lisette Lopez puckers for her prince.

Left: Faires Margaret and Jessica smile and wave their wands.

Above: "Take me away Brian!" exclaims Dara.

The Possibilities Are Endless...



...Art and Music

Winter Carnival

Top Left: B. Johnson groovin' to the music.
Top Right: Sophomore girls take a break from the action.

Below: King Ryan and his Queen Maggie.
Bottom Right: Three musketeers showing their pearly whites.

2004 Court

Ashleigh Bergeron
and
Rob Nasiatka

Kristy Knight
and
Pat Walker

Martha Hood
and
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Jesse Arthur
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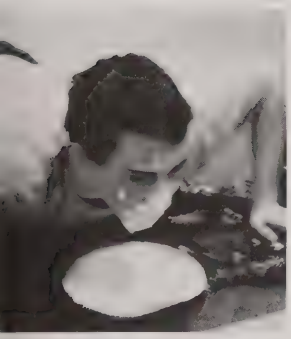
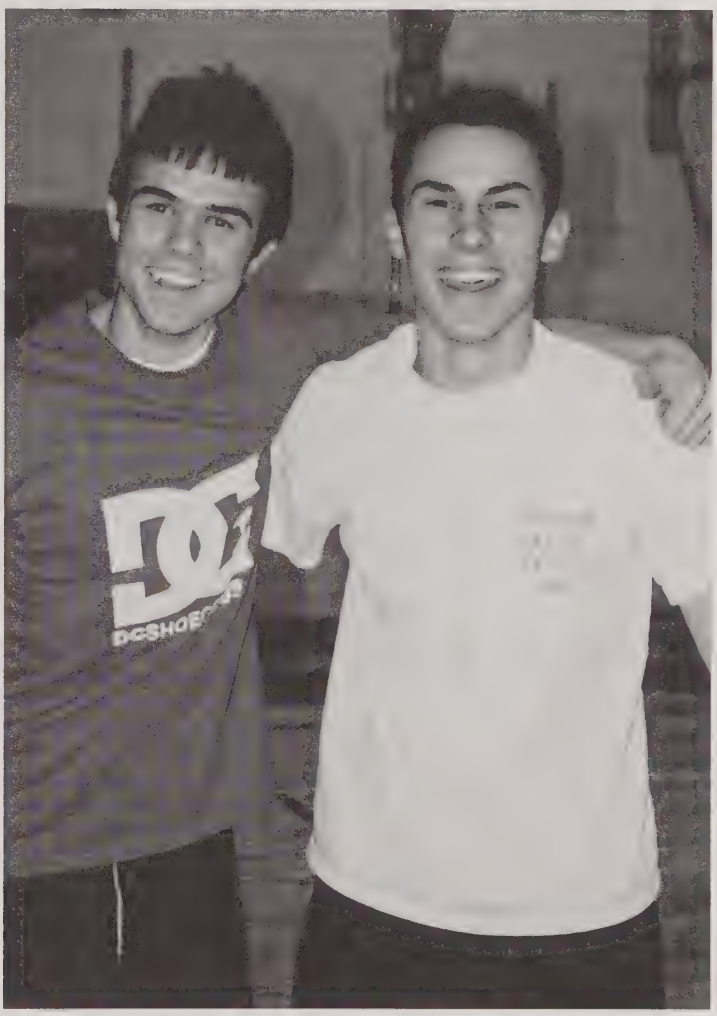
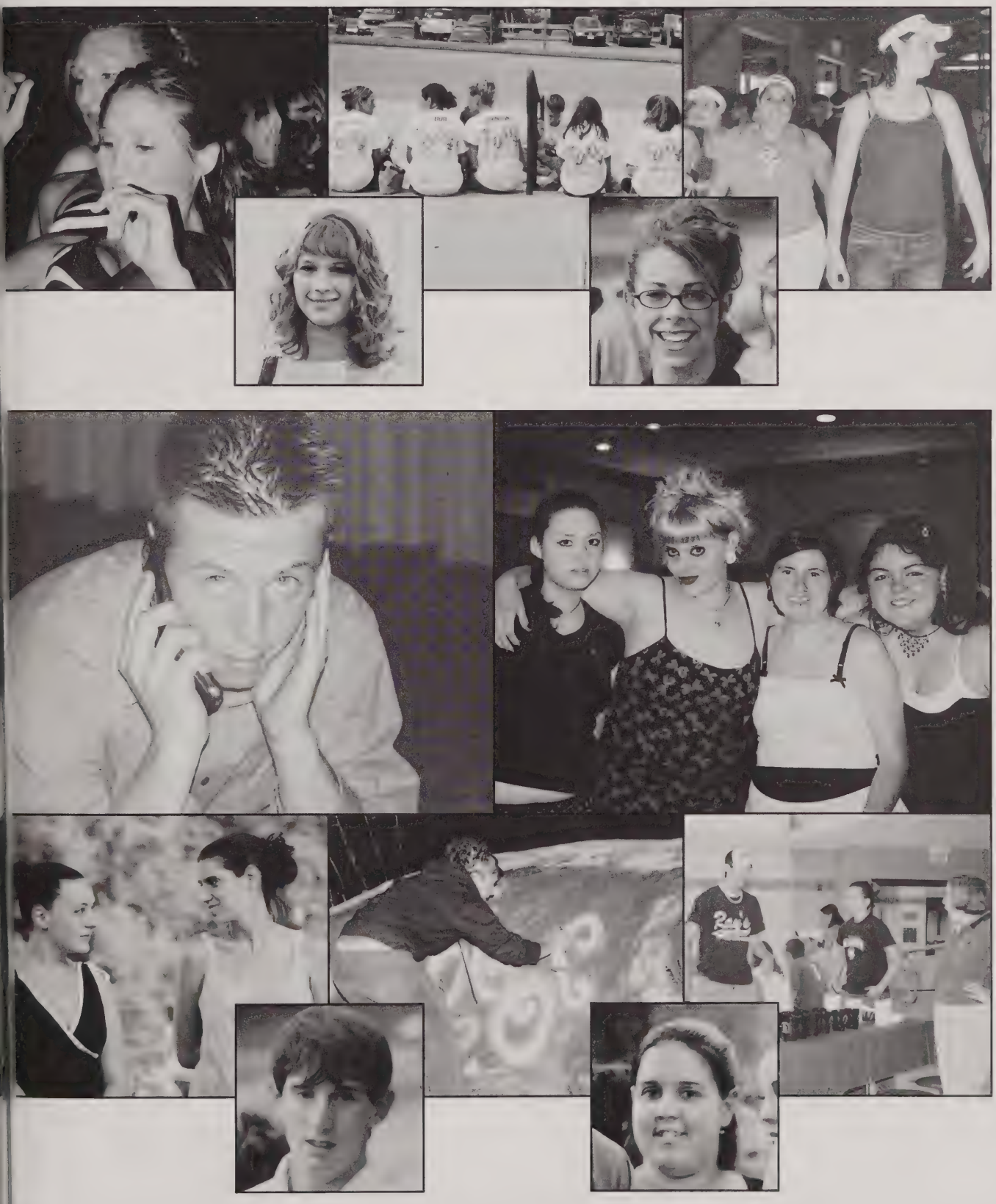
Brittany Walker





Senior Week...

...all for coming together

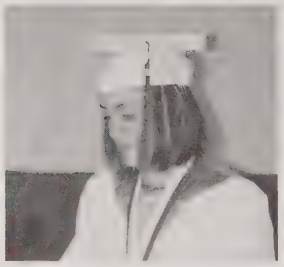


Senior Week...

...one last hurrah!

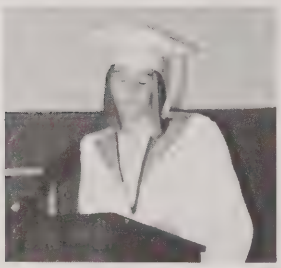
JUNE 5, 2004

GRADUATION



Caitlin Colling
Salutatorian
Class President

Matt Baron
Third Honors



Meaghan Colling
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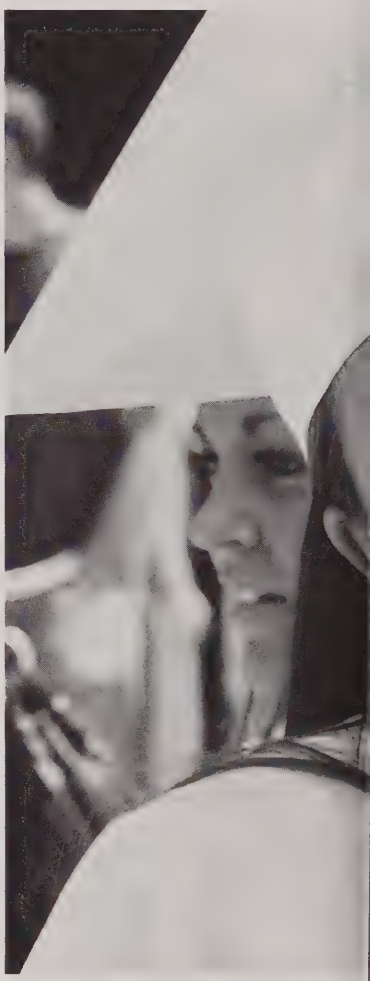
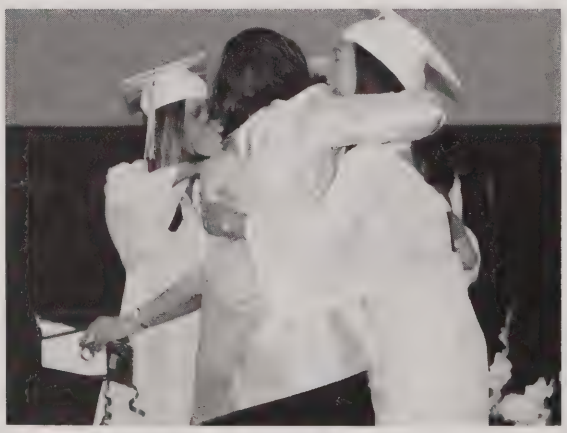
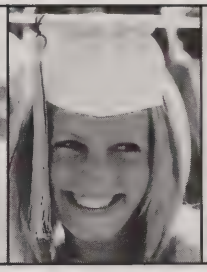
Looking Back
Kristen Delmonte

Since day one
We have waited for today.
At work, and while at play;
We swore we'd leave and not look back,
And think of our class no longer.
But as this day grew closer,
We realize what it means to have each other.
Now we look around the room
And know why so many have stayed.
Monson High School has given us bonds,
And our priorities have been weighed.
We know the importance of friendships
And knowing everyone isn't always bad;
For with this close kinship
We determine things we wouldn't have;
Like what kind of people we now want to be;
What goals we want to accomplish;
And the places we want to see.
And so now as we move on
To whatever our future has in store,
We will remember our time here with a smile.
Our negativities remain no more.
Take with you all you have learned;
And please remember
If you want to look back at all our memories,
All you have to do is turn.







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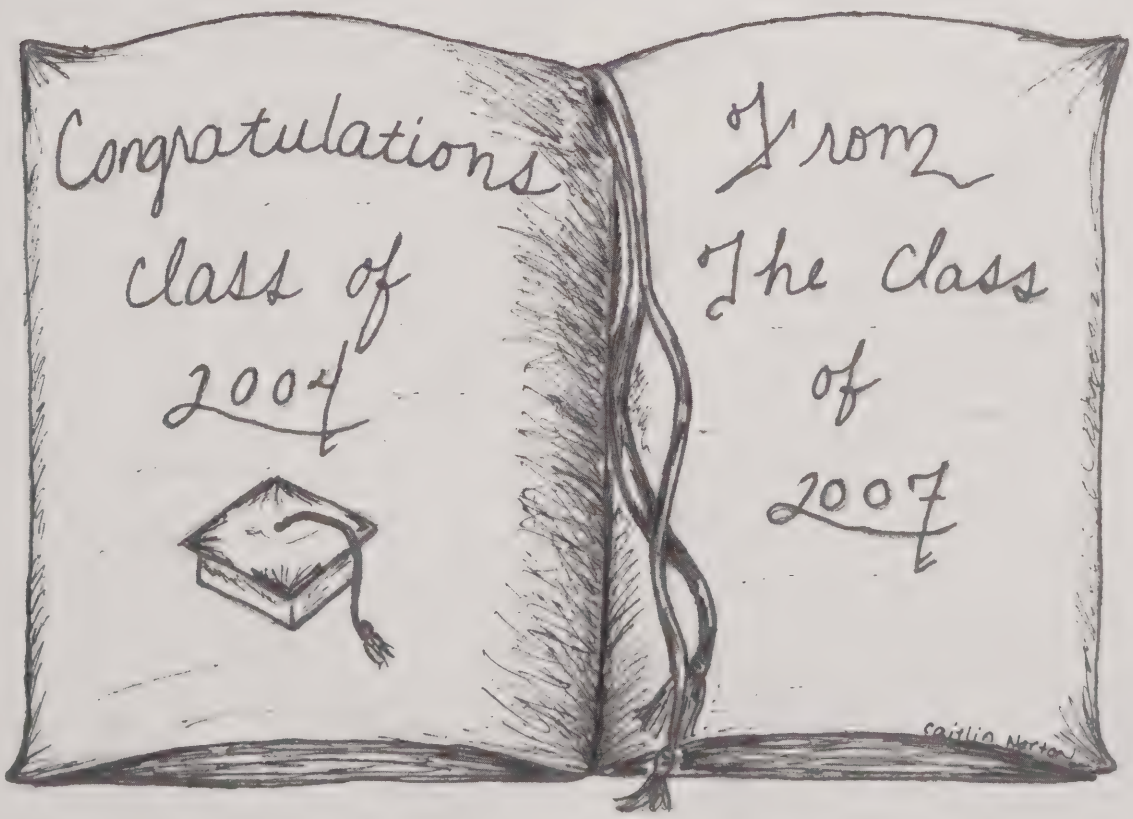

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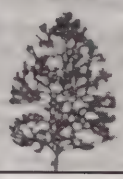

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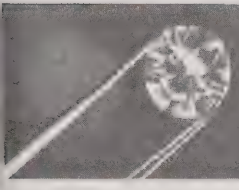

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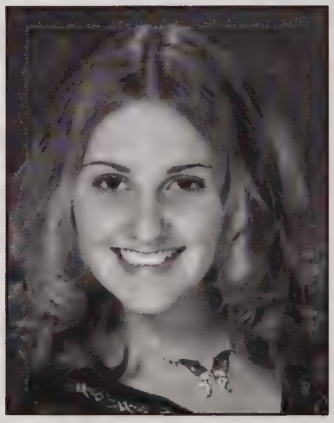
Congratulations Martha!

We wish you continued success and happiness.
Love Dad, Mom, Emma, and Marshall

Amanda Burbee



Congratulations! We are very proud of you and love you very much.
We wish you much joy and happiness in all that you do.
Keep reaching for the stars.
Love Dad, Mom, Lindsey, Amber, and Becca

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To my graduating students,
Meg, Amy, Shannon, Stacy and Kelsey, congratulations on your achievement! The staff and students at KDCP will miss you all. Good luck, we wish you all the best and remember little wishes make big dreams and success in your future. Follow your heart and you will always have self-achievement.

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Love, Mom, Dad, Nick, and Max

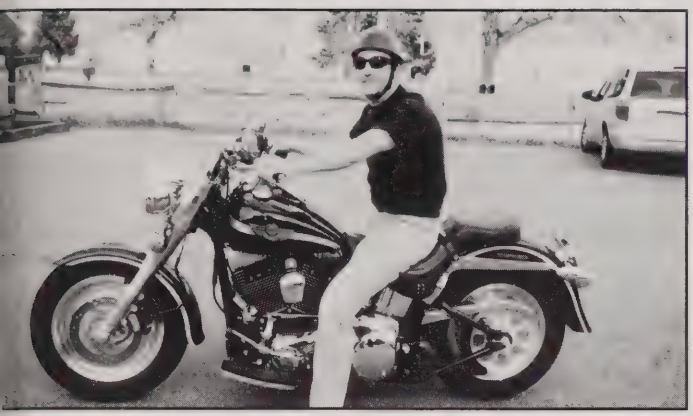
Stacy Courniotes

Kimberly, Martha, Stacy, Amanda, & Ashleigh

Congratulations Girls!!

We Love You!
The Fab 5 Moms & Dads

How lucky you are to have friends that make saying goodbye so hard



Not many people were fortunate enough to know the officer Bolaske we knew. Mike was a loving father of three beautiful children; Mike loved Oreo cookies and ice cream. They were his absolute favorite. Mike loved his new anniversary edition Harely Davidson fat boy. He always rode to The Vanilla Bean in No. Connecticut. He had a cat named "Charlie" and a Beta Fish named "Nemo". He was addicted to the "Sopranos" and had started collecting the DVD's. He went to rodeos and loved rollercoasters. Last year he even got to ride Aerosmith's Rock & Roll Rollercoaster. He wanted to build a chopper and buy a Ford Expedition.

Although Officer Mike's time on this earth was cut short, the love and memories he leaves with us are forever indissoluble. Mike opens us to the most essential truth of our lives; the truth of impermanence, the cause of suffering and illusion of separateness. Through his passing we surrender our grief and continue to believe in life and love..." For true love is eternal and free and abides within eternity." We miss you. Mikey. May God Bless and keep you.

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Meaghan Callahan

"Believe in yourself,
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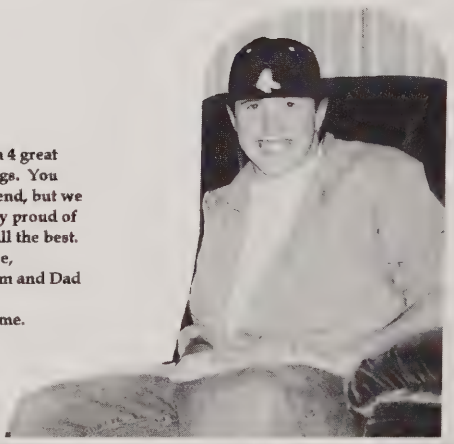
Your graduation, Meg celebrates the gifts you have inside you,
The talent and the promise there that everybody sees-
So as you start your future, may you look to new achievements
with a sense of pride and faith in your unique abilities.
Congratulations Meaghan!
We are so proud of you and love you very much.
Mom, Dad and Kelly



Adam...after a tough start with the move to Monson, these last 4 years at MHS have been 4 great years of watching you make new friends, play sports, have fun and even learn some things. You have given us so much enjoyment and it's sad to see this chapter of your life come to an end, but we know there are big things in store for you as you move on to the next one. We are so very proud of you and we truly do love you with all our hearts. May God guide you and we wish you all the best.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Adam...I just wanted to write a little something to let you know how much you mean to me. We have always been close and for that I am more thankful than you know. You are good at everything you attempt to do and I am honored to have you as a bro. I love you man.

Love,
Stacy

Adam...Graduation is a big step in life. You would think that my being a decade older than you, I'd have some sort of wisdom or advice to impart...honestly though I can't think of anything. Whatever the future holds for you, have as much fun as possible. Congratulations and good luck.

Love,
Your brother Josh

Adam...Congratulations! I'm so proud to have you as a brother. You've made my past 18 years a blast and I look forward to many more good times with you. You've always been there for me and even if you end up somewhere far away for college...I'm always here for you too. Have fun, study some and live you dreams. I love you very much.

Love,
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Uncle Adam...I'm proud of you and I love you so much!

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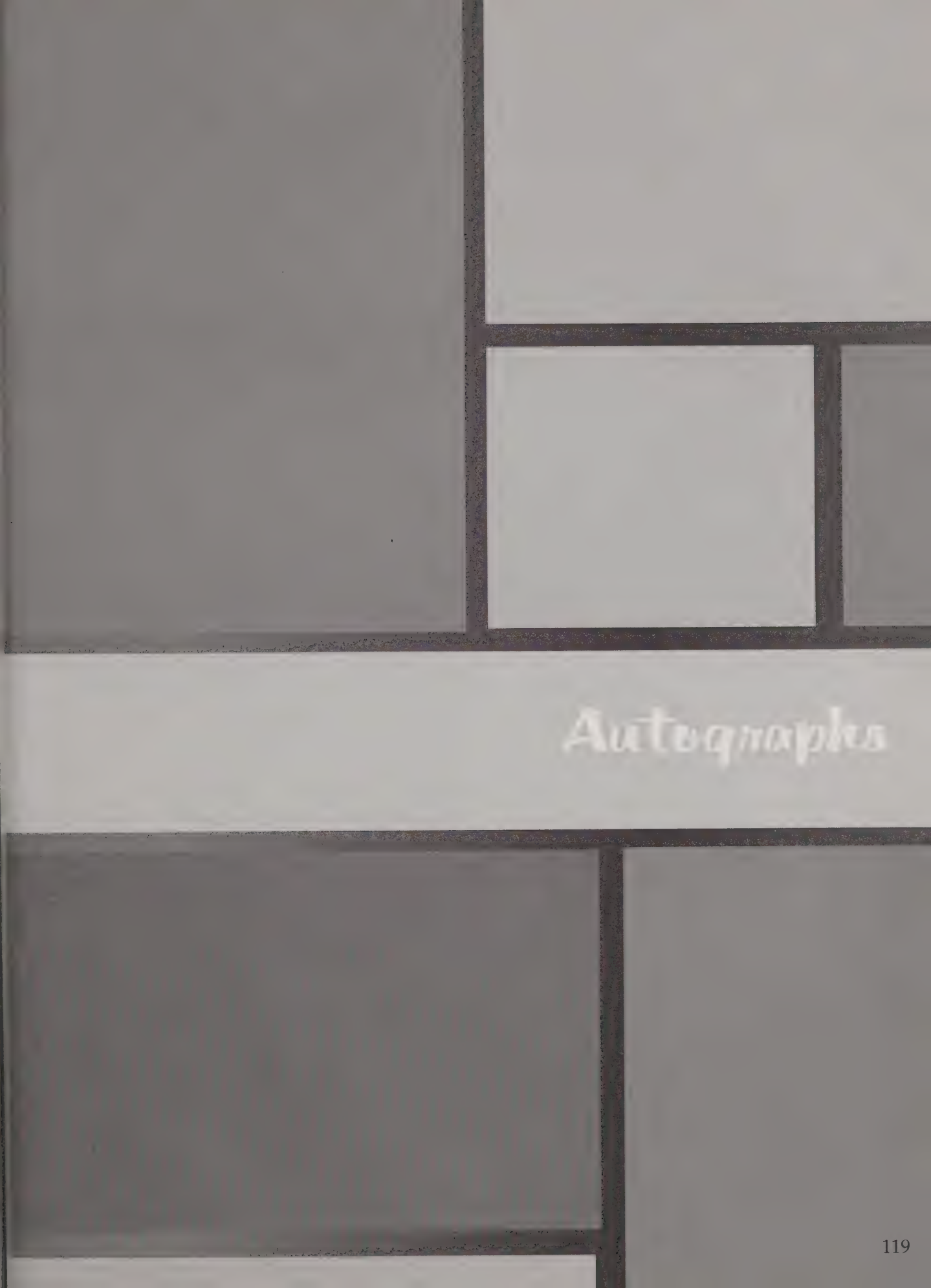
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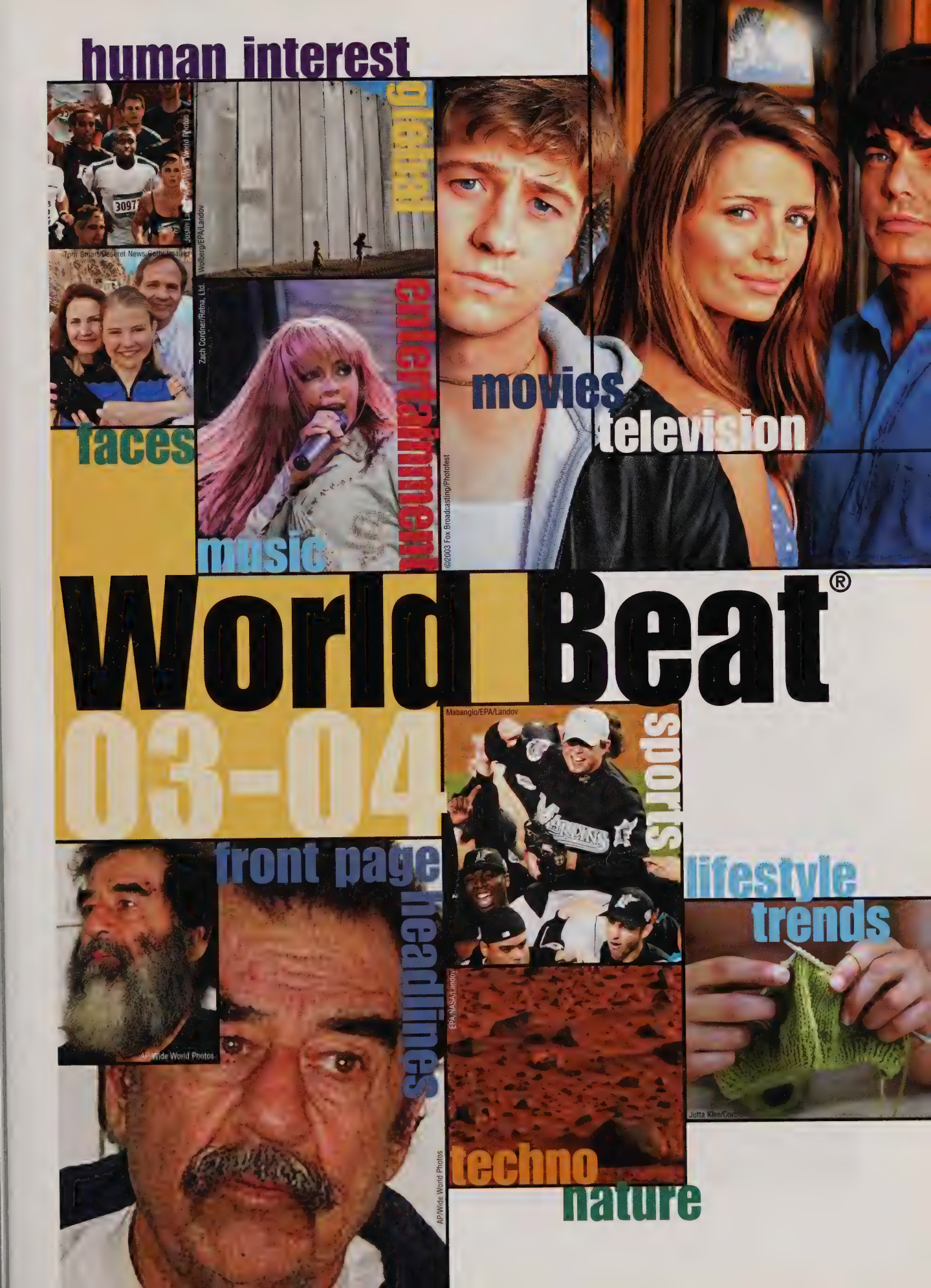
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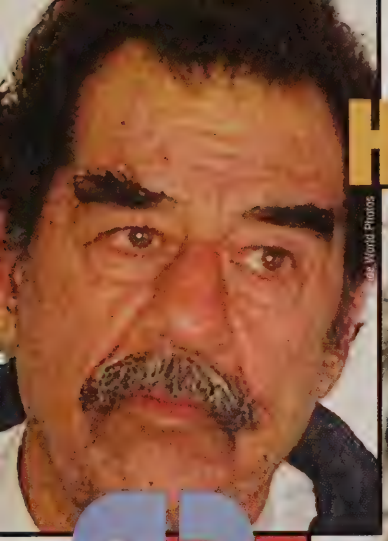

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U.S. Forces capture deposed Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein in a "spider hole" at a farm outside his hometown of Tikrit.

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Ed Andrieski/AP/Wide World Photos

← A fatal Staten Island Ferry crash in New York harbor leaves 10 dead and dozens injured after the pilot loses consciousness and slams into the dock.

← NBA star Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers is charged with the sexual assault of a 19-year-old Colorado woman.

Gary Tramontina/Bloomberg News/Landov

← A federal appellate court orders the removal of a Ten Commandments monument from the Alabama Supreme Court building, citing violation of the First Amendment.

→ In October, the Federal Trade Commission initiates the National Do Not Call Registry to minimize the number of telemarketing calls consumers receive.

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flash

The economy shows signs of recovery when the Dow Jones Industrial Average tops 10,000 points for the first time in over 18 months on December 12.

ARMY

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→ President Bush becomes the first U.S. president to visit Iraq when he makes an unannounced Thanksgiving visit with troops stationed there.

Reuters/Landov

→ The abduction of University of North Dakota student Dru Sjodin, 22, results in the arrest of convicted sex offender Alfonso Rodriguez Jr., 50.

The worst wildfires in California history claim 22 lives, destroy more than 3,400 homes and consume 750,000 acres of land.

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headlines

→ Michael Jackson is arrested on multiple counts of child abuse after an accusation from a 12-year-old boy.

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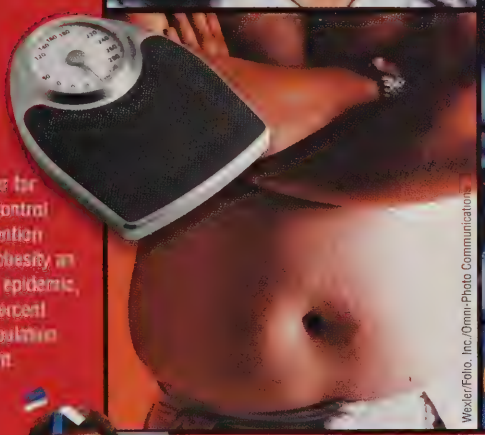

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→ The Center for Disease Control and Prevention declares obesity an American epidemic, with 64 percent of the population overweight.

U.S. Army Pfc. Jessica Lynch, a POW of the war in Iraq, becomes a media sensation after her rescue by U.S. Forces is aired on the news.

Mark J. Terrill/AP Wide World Photos

← Action star Arnold Schwarzenegger replaces Gray Davis as governor of California in a highly publicized recall election.

Brian Snyder/Reuters/Landov

← Americans rush to receive vaccinations as the country is hit hard by a new strand of the influenza virus.

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← Scott Peterson stands trial on murder charges in the slaying of his pregnant wife, Laci, and their unborn son.

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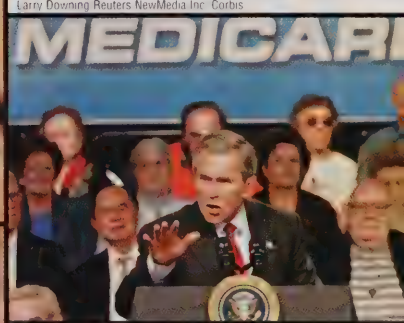
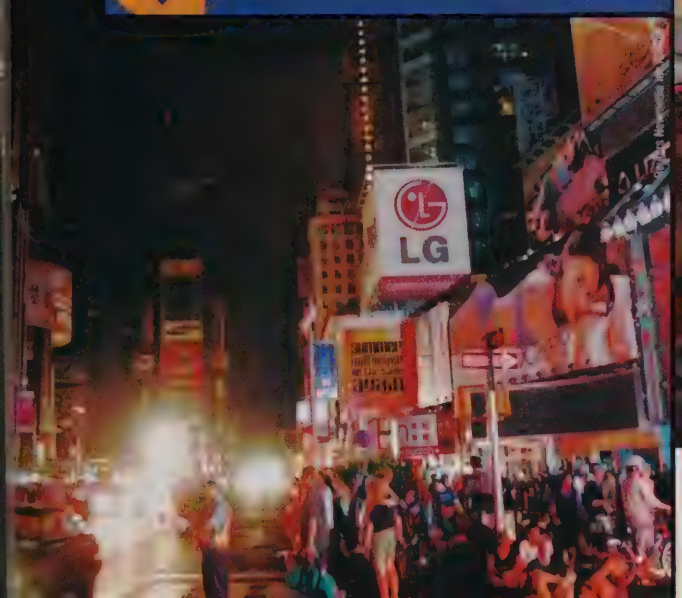


↑ President Bush signs a controversial bill calling for a $400 billion Medicare overhaul.

On August 14, the largest North American blackout occurs when three Ohio line failures leave more than 50 million people in eight states and Canada without power.



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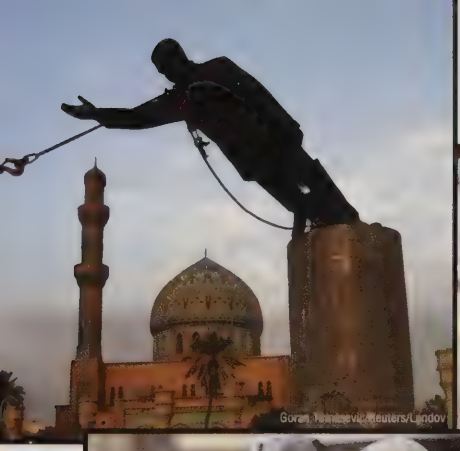
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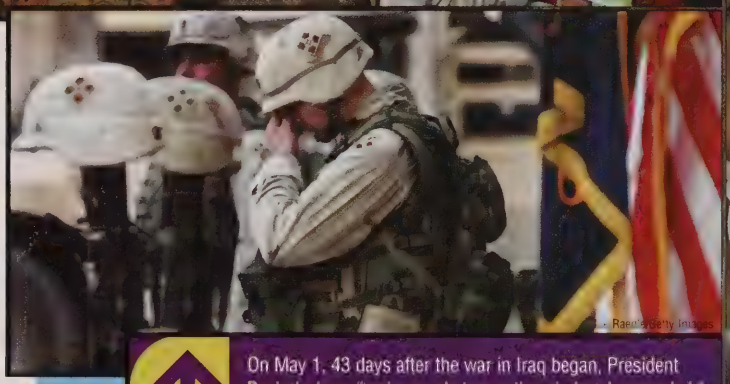
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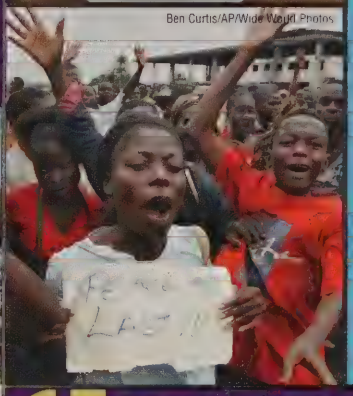
On May 1, 43 days after the war in Iraq began, President Bush declares "major combat operations in Iraq have ended." As hundreds of thousands of U.S. and British forces remain to restore peace and deliver aid to Iraqi citizens, more soldiers are killed in the months after the war than during it

← A European heat wave in August claims more than 19,000 lives, making it one of the world's deadliest hot-weather disasters.

← The World Health Organization reports that severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) infected more than 8,000 people in over 25 countries, killing 700.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← An Economic Community of West African States peacekeeping coalition ends 14 years of fighting between Liberian rebels and government forces, sending tyrant Charles Taylor into exile

global

→ Around the world, "flash mobs" — large groups of people recruited by anonymous organizers via the Internet — gather, perform a wild act and quickly disperse.

Alexandre Meneghini/AP/Wide World Photos

Rob Veltrop/Corbis

→ In a dramatic six-day ordeal, rescue workers save 44 of 46 Russian miners trapped in a water-filled coal mine.

Corbis/EPA/Landov

→ Tens of thousands of Palestinians are cut off from family and livelihoods when Israel builds a concrete barrier beyond the cease-fire line in an effort to curtail Palestinian terrorist activities.

On December 26, a devastating earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale strikes the Iranian city of Bam, killing more than 41,000 people.

Shahbaz Sohail/Sygma/Corbis

human interest

→ During the summer of 2003, low-risk prison inmates help battle Southern California's wildfires for only $1 an hour.

→ At a St. Louis dog shelter, Cain, a one-year-old mutt, survives tranquilization and a trip to the gas chamber and is then adopted by the animal shelter owner.

Bill Greenblatt/UPI/Landov

Lower Manhattan Development Corp./AP Wide World Photos

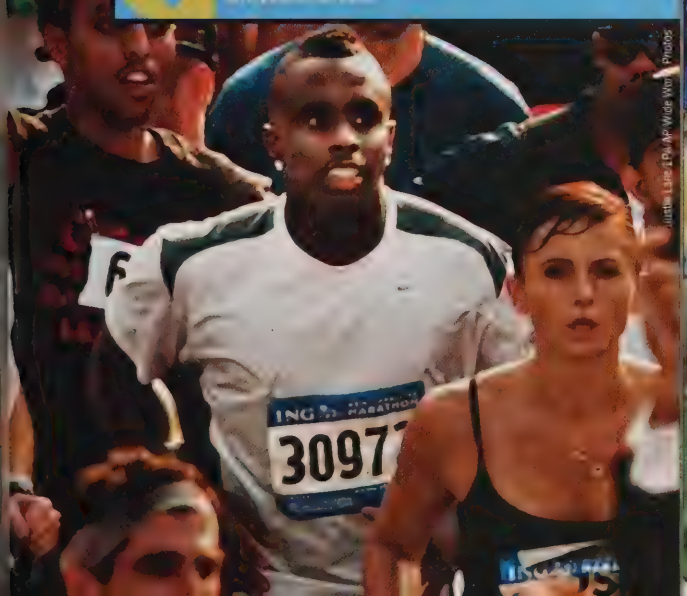
The world's tallest structure — a 1,776-foot tower — replaces a memorial soiled Tuesday, August 1 with a crown to be the world's tallest tower.

Richard Carson/Reuters/Landov

← Comedian Robin Williams travels to Baghdad to lighten the spirits of U.S. troops as he kicks off a holiday tour of U.S. bases in the Middle East.

← While aboard the International Space Station, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko marries his American girlfriend by video link in the first "space wedding."

Ray Lengyel P. Diddy runs the New York City Marathon to raise over $2 million for the city's children's charities and foundations.



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↑ Iranian lawyer Shirin Ebadi wins the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize for human rights activism as she fights to improve the status of refugees, women and children in Iran.

← Golfer Tom Watson donates his $1 million Charles Schwab Cup winnings to fund research for Lou Gehrig's disease, which has stricken his caddie, Bruce Edwards.

SCIENCE

techno

Ed Betz/AP/Wide World Photos

← British Airways and Air France ground the supersonic Concordes after 27 years of service. Despite their speed, the aircraft were uneconomical to operate.

NO SPAM

← In response to e-mail spam, the Can-Spam Act requires e-mail marketers to clearly label messages as ads and include an Internet-based opt-out feature.

In January 2004, the Mars exploration rover Spirit lands safely and NASA releases the first 3-D images and the sharpest color photos ever taken of the surface of Mars.

Wang Jianmin/Xinhua/Corbis

← In October, China becomes the third country to travel in space when the world's first successful taikonaut, Yang Liwei, returns to Earth after 21 hours in orbit.

→ Fast-food patrons can now get their food even quicker, thanks to McDonald's introduction of self-service ordering kiosks.

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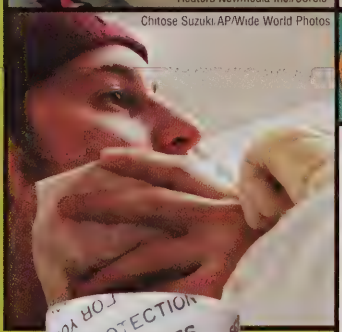
→ FluMist, America's first intranasal influenza vaccine, provides needle-wary patients with an alternative for the 2003 flu season.



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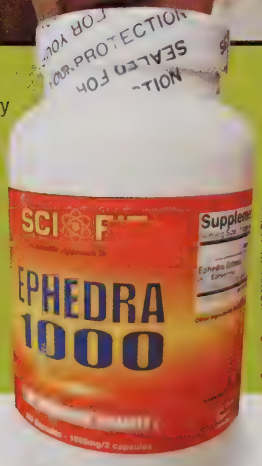
→ The Food and Drug Administration bans dietary supplements containing ephedra due to health concerns and warns consumers not to take products containing the stimulant.



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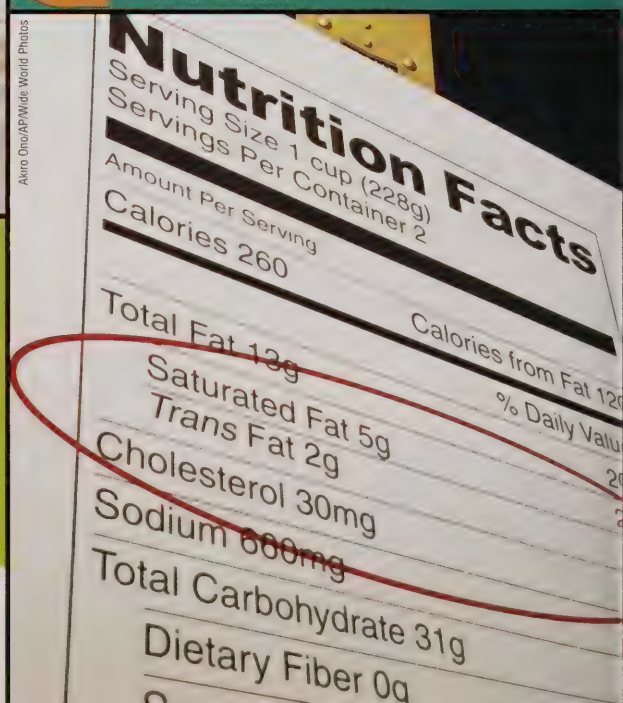
The Food and Drug Administration mandates that nutrition labels disclose the amount of cholesterol-increasing trans-fatty acids.



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nature

→ In June, pet prairie dogs in Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana infect people with monkeypox after being infected by a giant Gambian rat while in transit.

→ Federal workers in Washington kill a herd of 449 calves that include the offspring of a Holstein infected with mad cow disease.

Kevin P. Casey/EPA/Landov

Hurricane Isabel knocks out power to more than 3.5 million people as it wreaks havoc on the nation's eastern seaboard

Barbara Strnadova/Photo Researchers

← North American trees are threatened by Asian longhorned beetles, which allegedly arrived in Chinese wooden packing material.

The strongest solar storms to hit the Earth in 11 years cause northern lights to appear as far south as Texas.

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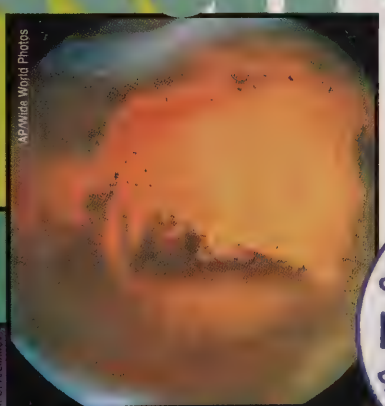

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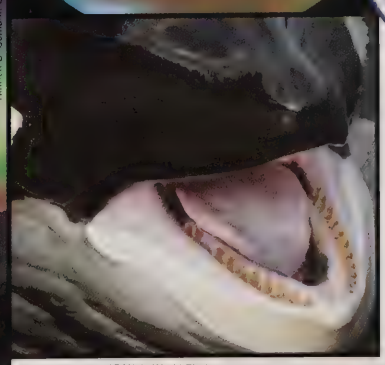
← In August, Mars' orbit brings it closer to Earth than it has been in 60,000 years.



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↑ American scientists discover the deterioration of the atmosphere's ozone layer is slowing. The 1996 worldwide ban on CFC gases is credited for the improvement.

← Keiko, star of the *Free Willy* movies, dies of pneumonia at the age of 27.

TRENDS

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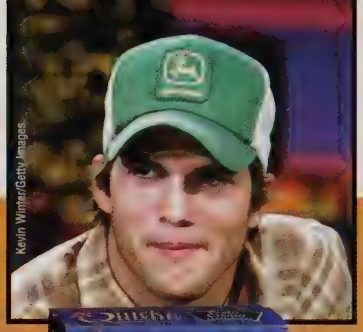

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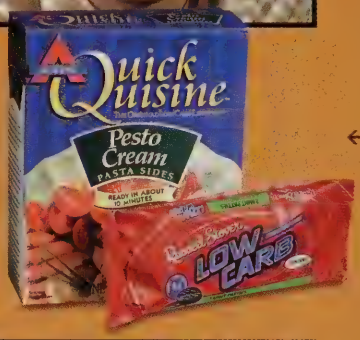
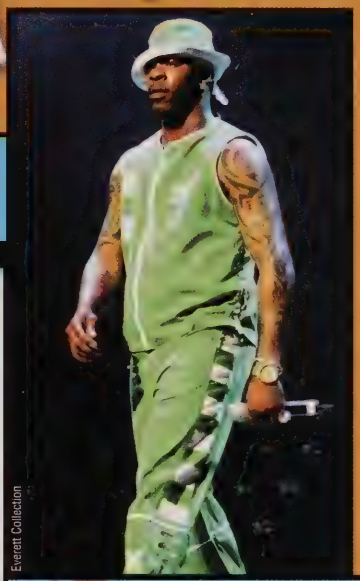
← Celebrities like FOX's "That '70s Show" star Ashton Kutcher make the "trucker hat" a fashion must-have.



← The country goes low-carb diet crazy, with dieters demanding food products and menu items with fewer carbohydrates.



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← Popularized by music stars like Busta Rhymes and J.Lo, track suits are seen everywhere.

→ Girls get into breakdancing at events like the Qween B Breakgirl competition in San Diego, the country's biggest female breakin' competition.

↓ With the resurgence of '80s-style rock music, '80s clothing styles make a comeback of their own.

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↑ The year's hottest foot fashion is the Australian-made Ugg boot, which stays cool in heat and warm in cold.

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lifestyle

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↑ The College Entrance Examination Board develops a revision of the SAT that tests for increased vocabulary and writing skills.

↑ The pint-sized MINI Cooper, by Motorwerks, starts a European auto revolution on U.S. streets.

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Drivers find a spacious but expensive ride in the General Motors Hummer H2. In response to criticism, GM promises to release a more fuel-efficient version in the future.

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← To improve lunch and vending machine nutritional values, the U.S. Department of Agriculture issues tougher regulations for American schools.

← Avon, the world's largest direct seller of beauty products, introduces mark — a new cosmetic line intended for teens to sell.

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↑ In an effort to thwart counterfeiters, the U.S. Treasury releases a colorful new $20 bill, with a background blend of blue, peach and green.

Affordable, over-the-counter teeth whitening kits have consumers smiling, as they no longer have to visit the dentist for this cosmetic procedure.

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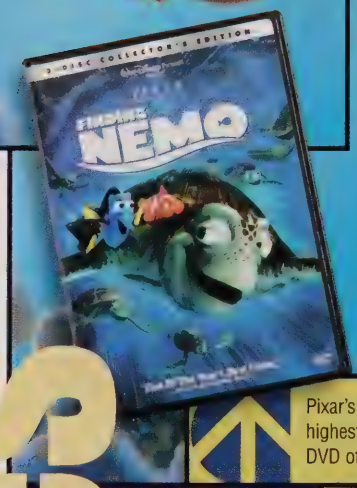
← A new study reveals the Top 10 most dangerous U.S. occupations. Lumberjack tops the list.

MOVIES



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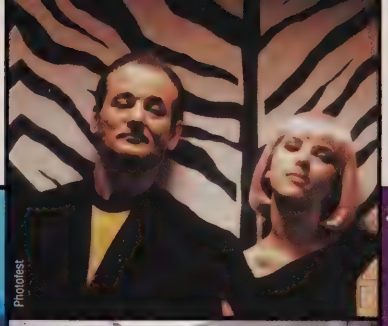
Pixar's *Finding Nemo* swims to the top as the highest-grossing animated movie and top-selling DVD of all time in the United States.



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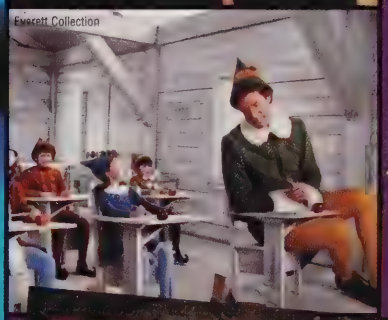
← Bill Murray gives a career performance in *Lost in Translation*, from director and Golden Globe-winning screenwriter Sofia Coppola.



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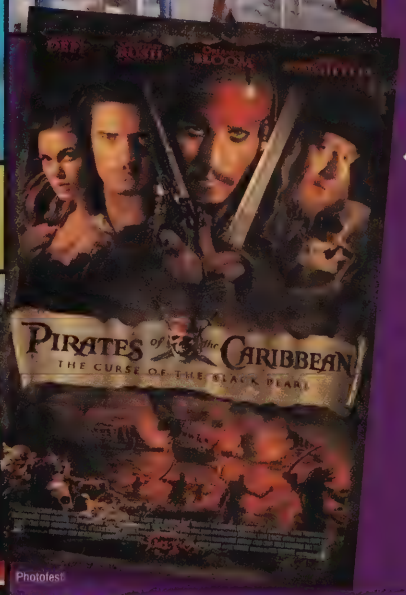
← Will Ferrell continues his comedic success in the heartwarming holiday hit *Elf*.



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← Heartthrobs Johnny Depp and Orlando Bloom make Disney's *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl* a swashbuckling success.

MOVIES

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→ Keira Knightley and Parminder Nagra get a kick out of breaking stereotypes on and off the soccer field in the British comedy *Bend It Like Beckham*.

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→ The two most anticipated sequels of the year, *Matrix: Reloaded* and *Matrix: Revolutions* turn out to be major disappointments for fans and critics alike.

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→ Tobey Maguire rides high in the successful summer flick *Seabiscuit*, nominated for an Academy Award for Best Picture.

Frodo and company complete their epic journey in *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*, winner of the Golden Globe for Best Picture, Drama.

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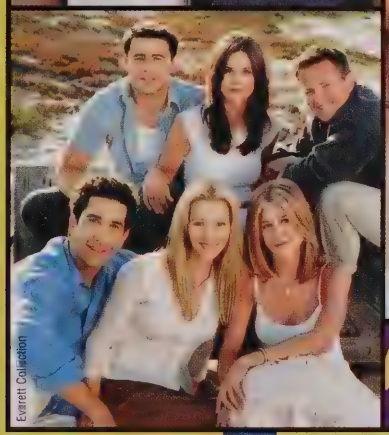
television

→ The pulse-pounding CBS hit "The Amazing Race" wins the inaugural Emmy Award for Best Reality Program.

→ America bids farewell to the cast of "Friends" after the NBC sitcom's 10th and final season.



Fox uses its tried-and-true teen soap formula to come up with the biggest television hit of the year for teens, "The O.C."

↓ In February 2004, CBS airs "Survivor: All-Stars," starring past "Survivor" winners and contestants.

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← Jessica Simpson, star of MTV's "Newlyweds" with husband Nick Lachey, makes entertainment headlines for mistaking Chicken of the Sea tuna for chicken.

Shows such as TLC's "Trading Spaces" and Bravo's "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" create a new niche for the home improvement TV genre.

Stephen Chernin/AP/Wide World Photos

↑ Famous for "Three's Company" and star of ABC's "Eight Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter," actor John Ritter dies suddenly from heart failure in September.

← "Alias" star Jennifer Garner earns high viewer ratings for ABC TV and lights up the big screen in *13 Going on 30*.

MUSIC

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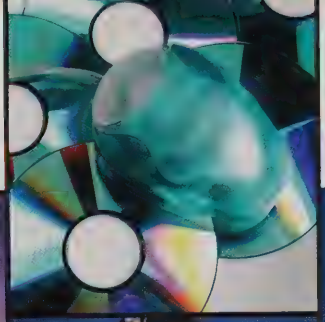
Superstar Beyoncé Knowles stars on the big screen, releases a hit album, *Dangerously in Love*, and wins four *Billboard* Music Awards.



← The legal battle between the music industry and music downloaders prompts lawsuits and online music purchasing outlets, while driving CD prices to their lowest point in a decade.

Kevork Djansezian/AP-Wide World Photos

← According to Nielsen SoundScan, 50 Cent's debut, *Get Rich or Die Tryin'*, is 2003's best-selling album, with 6.5 million copies sold.

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← Songwriter John Mayer wins a Grammy in 2003 for the album *Room for Squares* and follows it up with *Heavier Things*.

music

→ The Neptunes' Pharrell Williams and Chad Hugo receive three Grammy nominations as a production duo. Williams gets three more for collaborations with Snoop Dog and Jay-Z.

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→ OutKast's genre-busting album *Speakerboxxx/ The Love Below*, featuring the infectious single "Hey Ya!," wins the Grammy for Album of the Year.

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→ Country music legend Johnny Cash dies at 71, but wins three CMA awards posthumously, including Best Single for his remake of the Nine Inch Nails' "Hurt."

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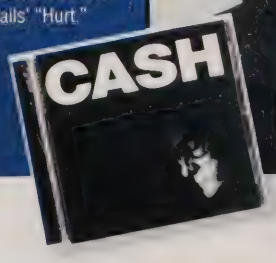

flash

Claiming that he has "had it with the rap game," Jay-Z, 33, retires after the release of *The Black Album*.

Coldplay claims the title of *Spin* magazine's Band of the Year, and the band's lead singer Chris Martin marries actress Gwyneth Paltrow.

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entertainment

→ In December, Rolling Stones' legendary lead singer Mick Jagger, 60, is knighted by Prince Charles.

→ Role-playing games like "Star Wars: Knights of the Old Republic" find mainstream success on consoles.

Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky, Ohio, boasts the world's tallest, fastest roller coaster, the Top Thrill Dragster.

← Pop diva-turned-author Madonna releases two children's books: *The English Roses* and *Mr. Peabody's Apples*. Her third book, *Yakov and the Seven Thieves*, arrives in late winter.

← Hugh Jackman of *X2: X-Men United* showcases his singing ability on Broadway in *The Boy from Oz*.

↑ On CBS's "Late Show" host David Letterman, 56, announces the November birth of his first child, a baby boy.

Two months after being mauled by a tiger, Roy Horn, half of the famed "Siegfried and Roy" wild animal entertainment act, is released from a Las Vegas hospital.

← After the success of his best-selling fantasy novel *Eragon: Inheritance*, author Christopher Paolini, 19, begins writing the much-anticipated sequel.

SPORTS

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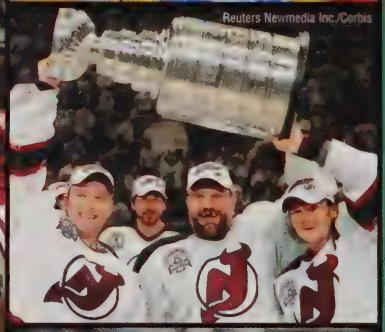

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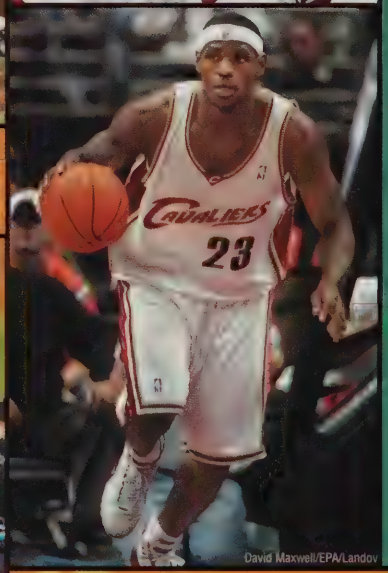

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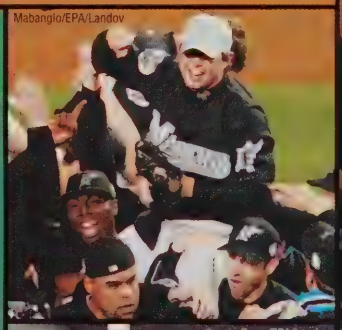

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BCS computers fail to invite the nation's No. 1 team, USC, to the 2004 championship game. The Rose Bowl champion USC Trojans share the national title with the Sugar Bowl champion LSU Tigers.

→ Led by MVP pitcher Josh Beckett, the Florida Marlins beat the heavily favored New York Yankees 2-0 in game six to win the 100th World Series.

→ Tennis pro Andy Roddick, 21, also known as Mandy Moore's boyfriend, wins his first grand slam title at the U.S. Open in September.

→ In September, Kenya's Paul Tergat sets the world record in the Berlin Marathon, running the 26.2-mile course in just 2 hours, 4 minutes, 55 seconds.

← Despite several crashes and severe dehydration, Lance Armstrong wins his fifth straight Tour de France by a mere 62 seconds.

← Behind the defensive brilliance of goalie Martin Brodeur, the New Jersey Devils win the 2003 NHL Stanley Cup by icing the Anaheim Mighty Ducks 3-0 in game seven.

← High school phenomenon LeBron James, 19, is picked first in the 2003 NBA Draft by the Cleveland Cavaliers and enjoys instant success as a pro.

In June, Michelle Wie, 13, becomes the youngest winner of a U.S. Golf Association adult event when she wins the U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links.

sports

→ The New England Patriots defeat the Carolina Panthers 32-29 with a field goal in the closing seconds to win Super Bowl XXXVIII.

→ Due to a lack of revenue, the Women's United Soccer Association gets the boot after just three seasons.

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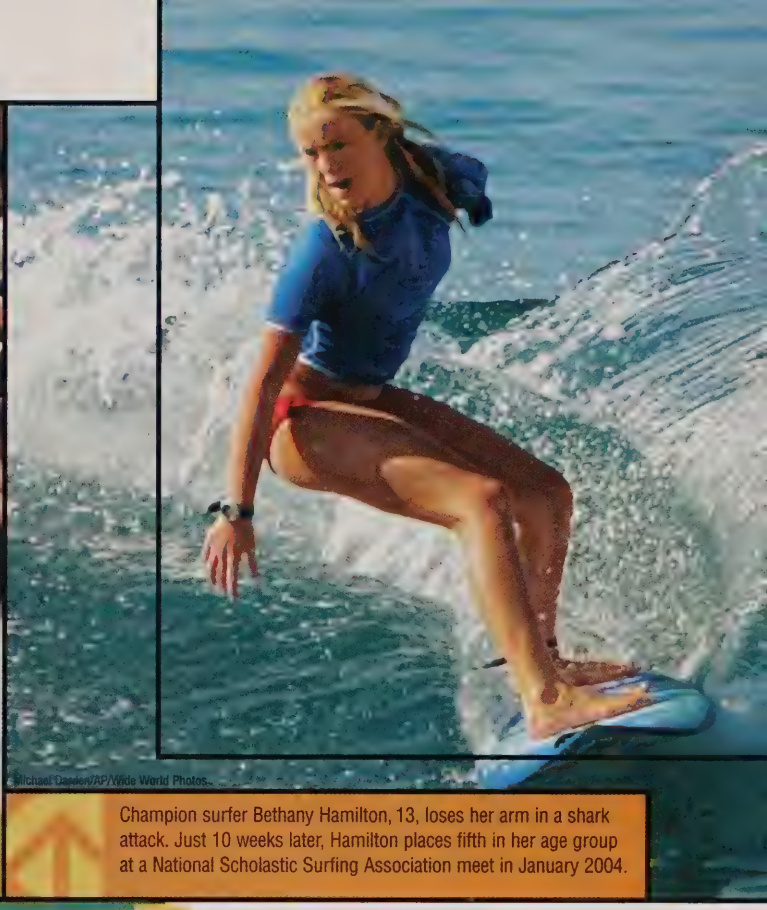
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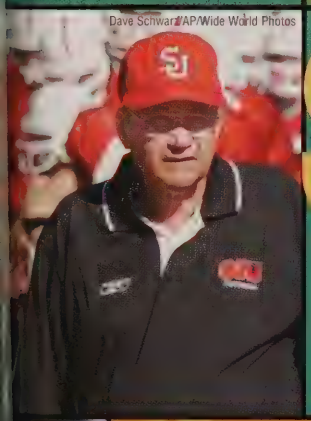
Champion surfer Bethany Hamilton, 13, loses her arm in a shark attack. Just 10 weeks later, Hamilton places fifth in her age group at a National Scholastic Surfing Association meet in January 2004.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← St. John's University coach John Gagliardi, 77, leads his team to an undefeated NCAA Division III Football National Championship while also setting the NCAA Football record for coaching victories with 414.

Death-defying tricks and thrills bring the extreme sports craze to new heights at the January 2004 EXPN Winter X Games VIII in Aspen, Colorado.

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← Matt Kenseth claims the NASCAR Winston Cup Series championship, after leading the standings through a record 33 races.

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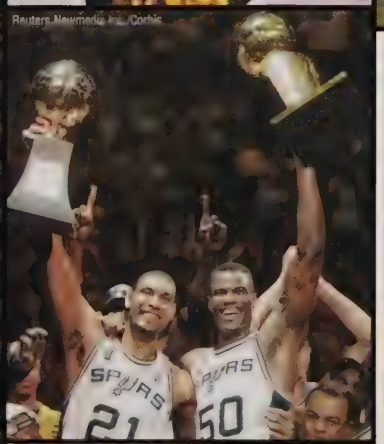
↑ Freddy Adu, 14, becomes the youngest American pro team athlete in over 100 years when he signs with D.C. United of Major League Soccer.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← League MVP Tim Duncan and David Robinson — in his final game — lead the San Antonio Spurs to the 2003 NBA title with a 4-2 series win over the New Jersey Nets.

Faces

faces

← In October, Mother Teresa of Calcutta is beatified by Pope John Paul II in Vatican City. This marks the final step before sainthood in the Roman Catholic Church.

America loses three entertainment icons with the deaths of comedian Bob Hope, actress Katharine Hepburn and actor Gregory Peck.

↑ The Pentagon releases decks of 55 cards to U.S. soldiers that feature the most-wanted Iraqi leaders. Dictator Saddam Hussein is the Ace of Spades.

→ In his first of a number of trials in several states, a Virginia jury sentences D.C. area sniper Lee Boyd Malvo, 18, to life without parole.

→ After winning 64 career titles, including 14 grand slam events, and a record six years ranked No. 1, tennis great Pete Sampras retires at the U.S. Open in August.

→ Teen star Hilary Duff tops off her successful movie debut, *The Lizzie McGuire Movie*, with a hit pop album, *Metamorphosis*, and a nationwide tour.

After being abducted for nine months, Elizabeth Smart is rescued and returns home in March 2003. Her story is made into a TV movie that airs later in the fall.

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